

Entrance door and windows of the British Embassy in Jerusalem seen blazing as huge crowds set building on fire on Wednesday night. (AP Wirephoto)

Israel's reply cheers Rogers

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State William Rogers said yesterday he was encouraged by Israel's willingness to take part in indirect peace talks with Egypt, with the U.S. acting as intermediary.

Egypt, Russia stress amity

MOSCOW (Reuter). — Egypt and Russia yesterday reaffirmed their desire to strengthen their relations in the interests of peace in the Middle East, Tass news agency reported.

This was the first full announcement on talks yesterday between President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and top Kremlin leaders. President Sadat arrived Wednesday and was expected to leave sometime today for Yugoslavia.

Before his arrival, the Egyptian leader announced he would be seeking Soviet arms. However, observers expected Soviet leaders to urge restraint on him, especially since his talk of war with Israel.

Yesterday's sparse Tass announcement on Kremlin talks between Sadat, Soviet Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev and Premier Alexei Kosygin gave no hint of differences of view, however.

It stressed the atmosphere of "full mutual understanding," saying the two sides had reaffirmed their determination to continue relations in the spirit of the bilateral friendship treaty signed last year.

In this spirit they would continue the line for further development and strengthening of these relations "which are in the interests of the peoples of the two countries, the cause of peace in the Middle East and international security."

Apart from Mr. Brezhnev and Mr. Kosygin, the talks were attended by Party Politburo member Andrei Kirilenko, Boris Ponomarev, a party secretary and specialist on the Middle East, Soviet Defence Minister Andrei Grechko and Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Present on the Egyptian side were the President's adviser on national security questions, Mohammed Hafez Ismail, and Foreign Minister Mohammed Murad Ghaleb.

Mr. Rogers told a press conference the talks are essential if progress is to be made towards a settlement in the Middle East. He said there has to be an active exchange of ideas between the two sides if they are to reach agreement.

Mr. Rogers told a press conference the U.S. has not yet decided how to proceed in seeking Egypt's agreement for indirect talks with Israel, which will be aimed at an interim settlement and a reopening of the Suez Canal. He said the U.S. Government would approach Egypt at an appropriate time and in an appropriate manner.

Meanwhile, Mr. Rogers said the U.S. also strongly supports the efforts by U.N. mediator Gunnar Jarring to open negotiations between Egypt and Israel. He said there was no reason why the Jarring talks and the U.S.-sponsored indirect talks could not take place at the same time.

At the same time, Mr. Rogers accused Senator Edmund Muskie of Maine, candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, of harming the U.S. national interest by rejecting the new Nixon Vietnam settlement plan before enemy envoys have.

"I think this particular speech by Muskie, coming at this time, was most inappropriate and harmful to the national interest," Mr. Rogers told newsmen.

"I think every man who runs for office... I'm speaking particularly of presidential candidates... should ask himself whether it serves the national interest" before taking a public stand on the Vietnam issue, he said. (Reuter, AP)

Gadafi again in Egypt

CAIRO (Reuter). — Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi arrived here unexpectedly yesterday from Khartoum after two days of talks with Sudanese President Jaafar el-Numeiri about the Middle East situation.

Col. Gaddafi was met at Cairo Airport by Vice-President Hussein el Shafiq, Deputy Premier and War Minister Mohammed Ahmed Sadek and other senior officials.

Egypt seen agreeing to talks

By ZEEV SCHUL

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent TEL AVIV. — Despite Cairo statements to the contrary, Egypt is ultimately expected to agree to Washington's proposed talks for an interim solution along the Suez Canal.

A good deal of hedging and squabbling over the details of the agreement has been expected since the Egyptian government has little to lose and the Soviets will probably also urge them to join the talks, since Moscow is keenly interested in securing a more convenient route to the Indian Ocean than the roundabout trans-Siberian route.

Egypt will be able to negotiate without dropping any of her military options or, for that matter, making any other major concessions.

Reconquest 'some day'

Prior to his departure for Moscow earlier this week, Sadat promised steel workers at Helwan that the reconquest of Sinai would be achieved "some day." Reiterating the necessity for undertaking the simultaneous economic and industrial rehabilitation of Egypt, Sadat added: "I don't want anyone to interpret this as meaning that the conquest will take place only after the state is rebuilt. What I am saying is that zero-hour has been postponed. But not indefinitely..."

Other recent speeches made by him included non-complimentary references (although indirect ones) to the Soviet-Egyptian relationship. Stressing, for instance, the need for an independent Egyptian arms industry, he said that this was needed "so that we will no longer have to depend on arms and will not have to demean ourselves."

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2 Army doctors killed by Sinai road mine

Two tourists hurt near Dead Sea

Jerusalem Post Staff Two army doctors were killed and a soldier injured on Wednesday evening when their civilian tender hit a mine in Sinai, the Army spokesman announced yesterday. In another incident yesterday, two young American tourists were injured, one of them seriously, in the explosion of an unidentified object near Mount Masada at the Dead Sea.

The Sinai casualties were Sergeant Yair Gosh, 32, of Tel Aviv, and Sergeant Ya'acov Gazit (Felsenstein), 29, of Ramat Gan. The name of the injured soldier was not released. The incident occurred at 5 p.m. on the road linking Quseima and Bir Khaseise in eastern Sinai, not far from the former armistice line.

Because of the heavy traffic along this road, it is believed that the mine was planted shortly before the vehicle passed over it.

"Tim" learned last night the two officers were riding along the asphalt road in a Volkswagen, which was demolished by the blast.

An army unit in the vicinity arrived on the scene almost immediately and took the officers to hospital.

The persons who planted the mines were believed to have been Beduin. They removed a section of the asphalt road cover, dug a pit, planted the mine and replaced the asphalt covering.

TOURISTS HURT A twenty-year-old American tourist was severely injured yesterday at the Dead Sea, near Masada, when an unidentified object exploded in his hand. The tourist, Bernard Sand, arrived in the area with two companions, Michael Timmerman, 20, and Dennis Gordon, 21, all from Missouri. They planned to spend the night on the banks of the Dead Sea.

Sand picked up the object, which his companions said resembled a food tin, and as he was about to put it down it exploded. The blast tore off his arm to the elbow and caused burns on his body. The force of the explosion blew Timmerman off his feet, injuring him slightly.

A passing motorist took the three youths to Kibbutz Ein Gedi where they were given first aid. Sand was taken later to the Central Negev Hospital in Beersheba.

British send more troops to Ulster; warn Irish Republic

LONDON. — Britain yesterday ordered new troop reinforcements to Ulster and warned the Irish Republic that "most serious and lasting damage" to relations between the two countries will result if it continues its anti-British policies.

"I must give a warning to the Irish Government," Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home said in Parliament, "that if they maintain the attitude they have taken, they could do the most serious damage — and lasting damage — to the relationship between our two countries."

As Douglas-Home spoke, the Defence Ministry announced another 550 British troops are being sent to Northern Ireland immediately, bringing total British troop strength in the province to about 15,000.

The announcement came after civil rights leaders rejected urgent pleas by the British government to call off a planned march in the Northern Ireland border town of Newry on Sunday.

The Northern Ireland government has banned all marches by both Roman Catholics and Protestants. A similar march at Londonderry last Sunday ended in a bloodbath and the killing of 13 civilians. Bernadette Devlin and Gerard Fitt, two Ulster nationalist members of the British Parliament, have announced they will take part in the Newry march.

A civil rights spokesman said, "there will be a peaceful and effective civil rights march unless the British government intends to use its army to conduct a massacre." The civil rights leaders announced their decision to go ahead despite an urgent personal appeal by Prime Minister Edward Heath to Cardinal William Conway, Roman Catholic Primate of all Ireland, and Cardinal John Heenan, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Britain. Mr. Heath said in letters to the two cardinals that the march would create further opportunity for terrorists to exploit the demonstration for more violence.

Meanwhile in Dublin, Irish Premier Jack Lynch charged that British paratroops shot innocent people when they opened fire on the civil rights demonstration in Londonderry on Sunday in which 15 civilians died.

Mr. Lynch, opening a two-day emergency debate on Ulster in the Dail (Parliament), said he hoped the scheduled Newry march will proceed "and will not produce a reaction like (London) Derry shooting down innocent people by paratroopers."

NEWRY MARCH Mr. Lynch said the Irish government had studied reports from what he termed "absolutely reliable sources" supported by witnessed accounts of the shootings in Londonderry last Sunday. He cited a special quid pro quo.

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Accord on Mirages seen next week

By JACK MAURICE

Jerusalem Post Correspondent PARIS. — Barring any unforeseen last minute difficulties, Ambassador Asher Ben-Natan will probably sign an agreement at the French Foreign Ministry next week under which Israel will surrender its claims to the 50 Mirage warplanes placed under embargo by France since the eve of the Six Day War.

The date for the signature of the agreement is expected to be set during this week-end when a senior Quat'orsay official in charge of the negotiations returns to Paris after a period of absence.

Well-informed sources here say the price of \$68m. plus interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum, which "Maariv" reported as the basis of the agreement, is considerably wide of the mark.

French Foreign Ministry sources said yesterday that no final figure had yet been decided, but that this difficulty could be ironed out during the next few days.

The agreement will be a substantial diplomatic success for President Pompidou, who thus succeeds in getting rid of the Mirage bugbear in return for a purely financial quid pro quo.

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More blasts in Dacca quarter

DAACCA (AP). — Heavy explosions were heard from Dacca's Elbari sector of Mirpur yesterday, as the Government sent in former guerrilla fighters to reinforce the regular Bangla Desh troops. Foreign news men were again barred from entering the Mirpur area and were ordered not to go anywhere near there. The International Red Cross, which attempted to take in medical supplies, was also refused permission to enter.

Mirpur, the home of some 250,000 members of the country's minority Elbari community, was under curfew for the sixth straight day.

Lt.-Col. Khalid Mosharra of the Bangla Desh army said the search for arms and "collaborators" was continuing and there was no more fighting going on. He claimed that the explosions were "only mines being detonated." The Bangla Desh army units were moving in heavy vehicles, mounted with recoilless rifles, artillery and mortars.

Terrorists claim 'Hatzofe' blaze

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter The Fatah command yesterday claimed to have carried out 46 "military operations" inside Israel, including heavy losses on the Israelis, "including a tank and planes."

In a statement broadcast by the Cairo Radio network, the terrorists said that one of their targets was the "Hatzofe" newspaper building in Tel Aviv.

Wage accord and restraint

Employers long boggling the employees managed to win the points in the wording of the wage accord signed with the Histadrut this week. The agreement acknowledges that introduction of a IL425 per month minimum wage during the next 12 months may cause problems.

The accord also states that the three per cent wage hike envisaged for Israel 1972 and again 1973 should be considered a "framework" for collective bargaining now to be started with the individual unions. The employers in the official Histadrut see that de-representative funds exceeding this amount are not put forward, and that for support is given to local pressure for additional increase in wages.

Whether such restraint will in fact be shown in far from certain. Full employment continues, with labour in short supply, and with managers more concerned about fulfilling their obligations than about the costs of labour. Among the trade unions, the Histadrut is expected to hold back its members trying to benefit from the situation despite the Histadrut's commitment.

However, the Histadrut will have to try to impose its authority in the final word in maintaining the wage level now resting on the employers' policy, and the government, which is to be held responsible for the economy's aggregate demand.

The practical effects of this accord will therefore largely be confined to a substantial increase of wage costs to be shown in far from certain. Full employment continues, with labour in short supply, and with managers more concerned about fulfilling their obligations than about the costs of labour.

Moreover, past commitments to various important trade unions, the metal workers, may add to the pressure for a 5 to 6 per cent raise in these groups, which should be a precedent for others.

But the one favourable result of the agreement is that it will perhaps produce a better atmosphere between management and labour and thus be conducive to the essential task of raising productivity.

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Social and Personal

Mr. Whitred Jenks, the new director-general of the International Labour Organization, and Mrs. Jenks were the guests of the Manufacturers' Association and the Co-ordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations here yesterday. They met Mr. Mark Mosevics, president of the Association, and later had lunch with the leaders of the Association at the Manufacturers' Club. Mr. Francis Mangan of the I.L.O. Secretariat and Mr. Gideon Naor of the Ministry of Labour were also present.

On Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Jenks called on the Secretary-General of the Histadrut, Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon. Mr. Aharon Becker, until last year a member of the I.L.O. governing body, was among those present. Mr. and Mrs. Becker gave a reception at their home on Wednesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Jenks. The British Ambassador and Mrs. John Barnes were among those present.

Mr. Jenks also met Mr. Yerubam Meshel, head of the Histadrut Centre for Social Security.

Jackson bill to settle Soviet Jews in Israel

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Senator Henry Jackson (Democrat, Washington) yesterday introduced legislation providing \$250m. over two years to help Israel settle Jewish refugees from the Soviet Union.

The bill will provide for \$100m. in the 1972 fiscal year, which ends June 30, and \$150m. in the next fiscal year.

Senator Jackson, a Democratic presidential contender and a long-time supporter of Israel, said that at a time when Soviet Jews are taking risks in pursuit of freedom, "the least we can do is offer material aid to help in their resettlement."

In a separate statement, Senator Edmund Muskie (Democrat, Maine) announced he would introduce a bill next Monday to authorize \$85m. to help Jewish refugees from the Soviet Union resettle in Israel. He said his bill is being co-sponsored by Senator Abraham Ribicoff (Democrat, Connecticut) and Senator Jacob Javits (Republican, New York).

IRELAND

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All of the 13 victims were held on Wednesday — tension and shootings have continued in the province. Two men were killed on Wednesday night and two people were injured in explosions in Londonderry yesterday.

In Washington the U.S. yesterday offered to play any useful role acceptable to both sides to settle the conflict in Northern Ireland, the Irish Foreign Minister, Dr. Patrick Hillery, reported after a meeting with Secretary of State William Rogers.

Dr. Hillery said he was told President Nixon was deeply concerned about events in Northern Ireland and was very distressed that the situation was causing a dispute between two countries with which the U.S. is on friendly terms.

Asked whether Mr. Rogers agreed to play a role in halting the strife in Northern Ireland, Dr. Hillery said he had "within the limits of not intervening and not taking sides."

(Reuter, AP, UPI)

Life terms for Iranian terrorists

TEHRAN, Iran (AP). — Five more guerrillas were sentenced to life imprisonment here on Wednesday after being found guilty of trying to overthrow the Shah's regime. Other charges included murder, bank robbery and membership in the Communist Party.

So far the court has sentenced 23 members of the People's Liberation Movement of Sistan, named after a village on the Caspian sea where they set up their training camp.

Many were captured last year between February and April. Nineteen were earlier killed in battles with police or executed by firing squads. All those so far tried by the military court, which began sitting 11 days ago, including six sentenced to death, have appealed.

We are deeply grieved to announce the death of

MOLLY LEWIN
(widow of Wolf Lewin)
The bereaved family in Jerusalem
Ella Margalit (Margolis)
Peifer Family (Los Angeles)

THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT
deeply mourns the death of

BERL LOCKER

former Chairman of the Zionist Executive and one of the outstanding leaders and pioneers of the Zionist movement. The funeral will leave from the Jewish Agency building, Rehov King George, Jerusalem, for the Mount Herzl cemetery, today, Friday, February 4, 1972, at 11 a.m.

The public may pay its last respects to the deceased and pass by his bier in the courtyard of the Jewish Agency building from 10 a.m.

New Vietcong plan urges Thieu ouster

PARIS. — The Vietcong yesterday shrugged off President Nixon's eight-point plan for peace in Vietnam, but presented their own new formula calling for the immediate resignation of President Nguyen Van Thieu and negotiations with the rest of the Saigon administration with a view to forming a "government of national concord."

The Vietcong's plan stipulated that the U.S. should set a definite date for total withdrawal of troops from Vietnam.

All prisoners of war would be released by that date, they said. North Vietnamese chief delegate Xuan Thuy did not actually reject Mr. Nixon's plan, but said: "Such a plan is not acceptable to honest peace- and freedom-loving people."

The Vietcong plan appeared to contain three shifts from standing Communist demands for full U.S. pullout and overthrow of the Saigon regime:

- The new version pledged to complete the release of prisoners on the date of the completion of U.S. military evacuation — a date to be set by the U.S. Unlike the previous Vietcong peace plan of July 1, 1971, it no longer calls for negotiations on how to effect the release by the armistice date, but contains a straight pledge to do so.
- The Vietcong, in demanding the "immediate" resignation of Thieu thus singled him out as allegedly the main obstacle to such talks and no longer demanded the dismissal of the whole "Thieu group."
- The new plan also said the new elections in the South would be for a constitutional assembly. Previously the Communists said merely the new Saigon team would hold new elections.

U.S. chief negotiator William Porter, calling the plan "somewhat frantic," said the Communists' refusal to consider the American plan indicated a basic misunderstanding of the negotiating process in general and of the U.S. proposal specifically.

Mr. Porter, who did not reply in his opening remarks to the Vietcong's new proposals, said Mr. Nixon's eight-point plan was a direct answer to the Communists' proposals made in both the open talks and secret sessions. He said the U.S. proposal "can be negotiated flexibly" and was not put forward on a take-it-or-leave-it basis. He urged that the U.S. plan "deserves your most serious consideration and response."

The American plan called mainly for the withdrawal of U.S. troops six months after an agreement to hold free elections and for internationally supervised elections in South Vietnam. President Thieu and his vice-president would resign.

Austerity measures for Egypt

CAIRO (Reuter). — Egypt on Wednesday night increased petrol prices and customs duty on luxury cars in new austerity measures designed to put the economy on a war footing.

The Cabinet, meeting under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Aziz Sidki, also decided to order all cinemas, theatres and television broadcasts to close down in future by 11 p.m.

Customs duty on luxury imported cars will rise by 300 per cent, the Cabinet decided while the import of diesel cars is banned altogether and a \$10 annual surcharge will be payable on diesel vehicles already in use. Revenue will be used for road repairs, an official announcement said.

Petrol will cost half a piastre a litre more and cement \$1 a ton extra. The value of goods Egyptians can bring home from abroad was cut from \$100 to \$50.

To boost production, the Government decided to increase living allowances of workers by between 10 and 30 per cent. The Government also decided to accept more civil defence volunteers, instal more anti-air raid shelters and provide villages with fire extinguishing equipment. Public subscriptions for war bonds to meet armed forces requirements will begin next month, it was decided.

£4,000 for Yair's killer

Geoffrey Jackson Morton, seen with his wife in London on Wednesday when he attended the High Court to claim damages for an allegation in the book "The Terrorists," by Edoard Ghecher, that he murdered Jewish underground leader Avraham "Yair" Stern in Tel Aviv in 1942. Yesterday, he was awarded \$4,000. Morton, 64, claimed he had killed Stern when he had attempted to escape from custody. (AP radiophoto)

Plight of small-town Syrian Jews

LONDON (INA). — The World Union of Jewish Students Action Committee for Arab Jewry has released news reaching here about the fate of a small Jewish community in the town of Kamsheli on the Syrian-Turkish border.

During daylight hours the 350 Kamsheli Jews are only allowed to move in a limited area of the city, and at night they are confined to the Jewish Ghetto. At no time are they permitted to leave the town without a special permit which often takes as long as one month to obtain.

Six of the Jewish families in the town own grocery or other shops and are the only families with reasonable incomes. The rest barely earn their living as labourers, servants or pedlars. They are forbidden to join trade unions, are discriminated against in wages and can be dismissed without notice or compensation.

Support received by the community from abroad is the only means by which many of the Kamsheli Jews live. Most of the families live in one room. There being no Jewish school in the town, children must attend a government school. Only six Jewish children attend secondary school.

Part of the only synagogue in Kamsheli was taken over by the Syrian army, and all complaints from Jews are ignored by the authorities.

Soviet woman doctor saves Israeli sailor

MOSCOW (Reuter). — A doctor on a Soviet ship was felled to an Israeli vessel during a storm off Mexico's Pacific coast care for a seriously ill crew member, a Soviet newspaper reported on Wednesday.

The newspaper, the Health Ministry daily "Meditsinskaya Gazeta" said Dr. Alla Perumova went to the Israeli ship "Tangerina" after it appealed for help.

She remained on board the vessel for the sick man during three days voyaging to the port of Acapulco, and returned to her own ship after the man was admitted to a hospital in Acapulco. A check of three large shipping companies revealed two Israeli sailors were saved by Russian ships' doctors, both women, but the cases occur about a year ago.

A Maritime Fruit Carriers' company spokesman told The Star a year ago a sailor on its vessel, "Perimmon," was injured in an accident and the "Medico" distress call was answered by a nearby Russian ship in the Mexican Gulf which saved the man.

The El Yam Company spokesman said that one of its sailors, injured on board one of its vessels, in the Bay of Bengal, months ago and a Russian doctor and her assistant boarded her from a Russian ship and saved the man.

Waldheim considering Middle East visits

ADDIS ABABA (Reuter). — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim said yesterday he was thinking of paying personal visits to Middle East trouble spots in the search for a peace settlement.

Dr. Waldheim, who will confer in Rome tomorrow with the U.N.'s special Middle East representative, Dr. Gunnar Jarring, said, "We do not intend to let things go."

He said Dr. Jarring, who had talked last month in Dakar and Senegal with President Leopold Senghor of Senegal and President Ould Daddah of Mauritania, would return to Moscow after the Rome meeting because of a commitment in his capacity as Swedish Ambassador.

He would soon afterwards resume his peace mission in New York. "We have a great interest in keeping this mission going," Dr. Waldheim told a reporter.

The Secretary-General was questioned by the reporter about speculation in Cairo Wednesday that he would visit the Egyptian capital for talks with President Anwar Sadat. A U.N. spokesman had denied that Dr. Waldheim had any such plan.

Cuban army said at 'top strength'

MIAMI, Florida (AP). — Cuban Armed Forces Minister Raul Castro says his country's army, navy and air force are at top "conditions of strength" as a result of modern equipment and training furnished by the Soviet Union.

In speeches to various armed forces units — reported by Havana Radio on Wednesday — Prime Minister Fidel Castro's younger brother did not specify which types of military hardware the Soviets had supplied. However, informed sources said that the Soviets had started sending Cuba bigger, more heavily armed missile-firing patrol boats. Two 35-knot CBA-class boats, mounting Styx missiles with high-explosive warheads, reportedly arrived in Havana in mid-January.

Earlier, U.S. Defence Department sources had said the Russians began making new deliveries of Mig-21 jet fighters to the island in October. At least five Mig-21 planes arrived in Cuba in that month, increasing its force of first-line Mig fighters to 67.

British boxer dies in ring

BRADFORD, England (AP). — Mick Pinkey, 22-year-old lightweight boxer, collapsed and died here on Wednesday night in the fifth round of his third professional fight, against Jim Moore.

A few minutes into the fifth Pinkey suddenly collapsed and died when a doctor examined him. "I hardly ever tapped him," said in English, Pinkey, a local turned professional last fall and his first two fights.

Irving-Hughes meeting witness said found

NEW YORK. — The New York "Daily News" said yesterday that Danish singer Nina has been questioned by U.S. Federal agents about two trips she is alleged to have made with author Clifford Irving while he was working on an autobiography of Howard Hughes.

The "Daily News" said Irving told postal inspectors and District Attorney Postman that Nina, now in the Virgin Islands, was with him last year on two of his trips to meet the multi-millionaire. Postal inspectors contacted Nina in the Virgin Islands and returned on Wednesday with a statement, the "News" said. It reported that she will be subpoenaed to testify before a Federal Grand Jury.

The first trip Irving is reported to have made with Nina was to Oaxaca, Mexico, on February 13, 1971, when he met the man he believed was Hughes, the "Daily News" said. The second meeting was when Irving met Nina in El Centro, California, between June 9 and 18. Nina has lived part-time on the island of Ibiza, Spain, where Irving and his wife live, since 1965. The publishing firm McGraw-Hill made out a cheque for \$650,000 to Hughes for the rights to his autobiography but Irving has since admitted he paid the money into a Swiss bank account owned by his wife, and Hughes never got it.

Hughes has denied the authenticity of the purported autobiography. The "Chicago Tribune" meanwhile has reported that it learned an attorney for Irving and his wife proposed immediate return of \$500,000 to a group of New York publishers in exchange for withdrawing all prosecution against the Irvings.

In New York, a spokesman for McGraw-Hill categorically denied reports in yesterday's "Tribune" that Maurice Nessen, an attorney for the Irvings, made the proposal to Halliburton Falls II, general counsel for McGraw-Hill.

The "Tribune" reported that Falls' initial response to the offer was to flatly reject it. \$500,000 now "may be better than nothing obtained after a long court fight," the "Tribune" said, adding that it received its information about the alleged offer from negotiators involved in the case. (Reuter, AP)

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SAPPORO (Reuter). — The much-threatened 11th Winter Olympic Games opened yesterday, ending a 32-year wait for this northern Japanese city.

Denied the chance to stage the fifth Winter Games in 1940 because of approaching war, Sapporo turned on brilliant sunshine yesterday for the traditional opening ceremony.

The only sports action on the first day was on the ice hockey rink, where second-ranked Czechoslovakia swamped the host nation 8-2 and third-seeded Sweden drubbed Yugoslavia 8-1 in elimination matches.

The games swing into full action today with competition in seven sports and the first two of the Games' 35 gold medals to be decided.

The first gold will be won by grueling 30-km. cross-country racing. The second is the 5,000-metre speed skating in which Dutch world champion Ard Schenk begins his quest for four individual golds.

More than 50,000 people came into the Maikoanal speed skating rink to watch Emperor Hiro open the first Winter Games in the largest and most expensive so far.

BIRDS. — A 15-kilo grouse chased by a hungry hawk — through the Kotvikumpu farm living room in Laukka, Finland sought refuge in the television which immediately exploded. The grouse was killed, so was the bird.

Sirhan 'adjusts' on Death Row

SAN QUENTIN, California (AP). — Sirhan Bishara Sirhan has made "satisfactory adjustment" at San Quentin Prison and now awaits execution for slaying Senator Robert F. Kennedy in a lighter security section of Death Row, the prison said Wednesday.

Joseph O'Brien, prison information officer, announced that the 28-year-old Sirhan was moved Jan. 7 to Row 3, where he is granted an hour of outdoor exercise daily with 16 other condemned men. He also has a window view of the prison yard and chapel. In his former cell, a lone ceiling opening revealed only a patch of sky.

When Sirhan was brought to San Quentin on May 23, 1969, a floor-to-ceiling wire mesh separated him from other inmates. Authorities said the mesh was installed to protect him from inmates who threatened his life. "There's no threat on his life where he is now," Mr. O'Brien said. He described Row 3 inmates as "people who get along as a group."

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HUNTINGTON, West Virginia (AP). — A jury was unable to reach a verdict in the case of a 21-year-old woman charged with indecent exposure because all six male jurors voted to acquit her and all six women jurors voted to convict.

Teresa Ellen Moore was arrested on January 14 at a nightclub and charged with dancing both bottomless and topless in a public place — in other words, totally nude.

The case was dismissed because of the jury's indecision. "It would take three months for us to reach a unanimous verdict," one male juror said after the deliberations ended.

Rome workers stage day's protest strike

ROME (Reuter). — Workers yesterday staged a general 24-hour strike in Rome and its surrounding province to protest against unemployment, and thousands of demonstrators rallied outside St. John Lateran Cathedral to support them.

There were no buses or taxis to be seen, no newspapers published in Rome, no postal services, and severely restricted train services.

Allitalia was forced to cancel several international flights, and civil servants, hospital staff and cinema employees joined the stoppage.

About 50,000 are unemployed in the province.

Italy's three trade union confederations also called the strike to demand new initiatives for the economic development of the province, and enactment of social and economic reforms.

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The attempt on the King's life as he drove from Fes to attend Army manoeuvres at El Hakel, in central Morocco, was called off at the last minute. Instead the colonels decided to raid the King's palace in Sikkrate, near Rabat's palace.

According to the indictment read at the tribunal during the trial of 1,061 officers and men involved in the palace raid, the abortive coup was planned by a "special command unit" formed at a training school commanded by Col. Mohamed Ababou, who was killed in the fighting on July 10.

His brother, Lt.-Col. Mohamed Ababou, commander of the Kenitra Army Staff School, took part in the planning and execution of the coup.

Lt.-Col. Ababou is the principal accused present here in court with 106 other officers and non-commissioned officers. He was arrested near Tetan, in north Morocco, when trying to flee with his fa-

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IN THE ARAB WORLD

by ANAN SAFADI

Sadat 'building up the image of a demi-god'

EGYPTIAN President Anwar Sadat's current visit to Moscow is unlikely to produce any immediate impact on the Middle East conflict...



President Anwar Sadat of Egypt is greeted by Leonid Brezhnev, Soviet Communist Party Secretary, on arrival at Moscow airport on Wednesday.

Sadat, under Soviet pressure, is not likely to make any decisions before the Kremlin leaders have talked with U.S. President Nixon in Moscow in May...

On the military level, Sadat needs to rebuild his armed forces on an "entirely new basis" as he put it this week...

Despite the recent cooling of the Middle East conflict, Sadat has had to face crises on two other fronts: relations with Moscow, and unrest at home.

Sadat admitted this week that his contacts with Moscow were cool for several months while he conducted a dialogue with Washington in the aftermath of Kremlin disappointment at the overthrow of Egypt's pro-Moscow Vice-President Ali Sabry...

Sadat implied that when he wished to make good his "year of decision" promise at the end of last year, with the aid of the Russians, the latter were too involved in the India-Pakistan conflict to support his decision.

Sadat's inability to decide on peace or war provoked Egypt's domestic unrest in which Cairo University students demonstrated at Cairo's Liberation Square for 10 days.

Despite the students' rhetoric, it seems doubtful whether Egyptian undergraduates and intellectuals really want an immediate armed confrontation with Israel...

However, the Egyptian nation seemed suddenly to feel the ineffec-

iveness of Sadat's policy, which offered no end for the no-war, no-peace situation which has existed in Egypt for over four years.

This situation is exactly what the Soviets and Sadat himself want for widely differing reasons.

The Soviets need more time than ever to regain their political standing in the region, jeopardized recently by a number of factors such as the loss of Soviet power centres in Cairo after Sadat's recent political purges...

Sadat himself seems to be most interested in building up the personal image of a demi-god. To achieve such a goal, he is unlikely to risk any undertaking where victory is not assured.

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At a dinner reception at the Grand d'Orsay in Paris on Wednesday, Francois Mitterrand, Jacques Chaban-Debras, and Mrs. Chaban-Debras.

FRENCH PREMIER IN DEEP WATER

FRANCOIS Mitterrand, the First Secretary of the French Socialist Party, declares in its new weekly magazine, "L'Unité": "We have lost our Prime Minister."

It is not surprising that Mitterrand is not joking for President Pompidou's difficult fellow to find nowadays. He was not around in the Azores when Pompidou clinched the election of the dollar with President Nixon.

Handsome Chaban is a worried man. He fears that Pompidou may be a nearby decision to drop him from the premiership in favour of a less embarrassing figure.

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Hussein rejects peace by stages



"Ma'ariv reporter Tullia Zevi (Ada Luciano) seen interviewing King Hussein and other Jordanian leaders recently for the Italian magazine 'L'Espresso' and for 'Ma'ariv.' Here are extracts from the interview.

Q. Do you consider U.S. aid to Jordan adequate, or what more would you expect and need?

A. I think that it is no secret that Jordan is facing very grave difficulties, enormous pressures — political, economic and material — from every quarter...

Q. Do you consider the 242 resolution still realistic, and the Rogers Plan still valid?

A. Well, when people speak of negotiations, we are really interested in the substance more than in the form. But for any negotiation to begin, we have to have some basis, and we think that the principles contained in 242 and in the recent American initiatives may be this basis.

Q. What is your opinion of a "solution by stages" which would start from the Suez cease-fire line. Do you think this type of solution is in accordance with Arab interests?

A. We are not against any type of solution, but I do believe that such an approach is not in Arab interests at all.

Q. You feel that it is, however, coming?

A. It may come. But I feel that the greatest complications and difficulties lie here, not so much along Suez, but here in Jordan, between Jordan and Israel, in terms of the West Bank, the occupied territories. I believe it would be more beneficial to try for a global solution, a total solution, as opposed to a solution by stages, although we are not against the rights of any to seek their own solutions to their own problems.

Q. After Wash e-Tel's death would you say that the resumption of guerrilla activities from Jordan is still conceivable?

A. We have always been with the right of our people to resist occupation in the territories that are occupied as long as they are occupied. This is a basic right we believe in, and we have defended it throughout. But we are certainly against any way of bringing disorder into Jordan itself, or jeopardizing its safety and security, or flouting its laws and order.

Q. When September 1970 occurred, there was talk of genocide. Could you give your evaluation of the September 1970 events?

A. There were some very unfortunate misinterpretations for many reasons. In the first place we tried our utmost to avoid the collision which eventually occurred. Unfortunately what happened is that every contradiction that exists in the Arab world was found on the West Bank, Palestinian resistance was the headline, but those who were claiming to carry that banner in fact reflected every ideology and every political belief and every ambition that exists in the area, and in the world as a whole.

Q. Don't you think that the idea of keeping Palestinian men, women and children in a permanent state of humiliation in refugee camps in the long run proved negative to the Arab cause and to the Arabs themselves? What is the use of the hate propaganda that is allowed to be carried on inside the camps?

A. I don't know my own feelings. I believe my people, I regard them as my family, they deserve a better deal and have always deserved a better deal than that. Obviously there is so much that we cannot deal with at the moment, because we do not know, we cannot plan, we do not know when the solution is likely to come. We are talking of a total Palestinian problem and

its solution, but at least what happens to the occupied territory, who is going back, when, are they going back at all. But a solution of guerrilla activities from Jordan is still conceivable.

Regarding a Palestinian representation, even some Arabs are saying: Let the question be a Palestinian-Israeli one, and that way we absolve ourselves of responsibilities. I have even challenged the Arab leaders to meet and discuss this openly over a year ago, but unfortunately without result.

However, it brings in a new dimension which is really an unknown quality. The majority of the people of Palestine are in the occupied territories at this stage. There they may have different schools of thought, but we believe they stand with us, here in Jordan. The other largest group is here in Jordan itself, and we believe they are our citizens, our brothers and our people. On the other hand you have some small groups scattered in the Arab world, those I believe who are working diligently in Kuwait, on the Gulf or in Saudi Arabia, in other Arab states. They are satisfied in their work, they are helping their families and so on.

Q. West Bank notables, like Ja'abari and Kan'an have been advocating self-determination in different forms, such as the summoning of a "Palestinian Congress," and in principle, they have agreed to the holding of the municipal elections in April. Would you consider the establishment of a Palestinian state, of a buffer state, small, whether before or after Israeli withdrawal, as detrimental to Jordanian interests?

A. I consider it detrimental to Palestinian interests, really, until after the evacuation of the occupied territories.

Q. Do you acknowledge Israel as a permanent factor of the Middle East reality?

A. When we accepted 242 we accepted that.

Q. Yigal Alon in a recent interview stated that your situation is now better than ever, and since you had already ventured to declare that you would not go to war, he said, "It needs only a little more courage to sign a separate peace." What is your reaction?

A. There is a very basic contradiction really regarding the Israeli position itself. On one side they say that they wish for negotiations, on the other we have a suggestion that we must sign a peace agreement. We are asking for the basis for the establishment of a just and durable peace. Negotiations for a separate peace would imply simultaneous discussions on territorial problems, wouldn't they? What we are after and what we have been after is to know exactly what Israel is prepared to pay for peace.

Q. You want to know in advance.

A. We must know of what we will be talking in advance, and that is why we have been hanging on 242, not as a self-implementing resolution, but as the principles that cover every aspect of the Palestinian problem.

Q. Do you consider these Palestinian leaders — men who I understand were your friends in the past, like Ja'abari and Kan'an — do you consider them something like traitors for accepting some of the suggestions set forth by the Israelis?

A. We watch, we try to understand and I think we understand in many events and under many circumstances, but at the same time we believe that until now they have not given us any cause really to be dissatisfied with any position they have taken. It is already past four years now, and they have stood together for the unity of our country, and this might last for a long time to come.

Q. But if the people of Hebron were to elect Ja'abari their mayor in April, would you consider him a traitor?

A. I do not pass judgment and I do not like the use of the word traitor. We had to evacuate the West Bank. What we passed through in the way of hell really is something which makes us appreciate the difficulties of others.

Q. There is a widespread feeling also among religious leaders that whatever Arab-Israeli agreement is reached, the status of Jerusalem will not in any case be like the pre-June 1967 one. What is your stand on the future of Jerusalem and of the various solutions which have been suggested?

A. We have also the feeling that the future of Jerusalem should be a different one from the past. We believe that Jerusalem has a unique place in the hearts and minds of millions of people the world over. I believe the city of Jerusalem should be the city of peace for all times. Its history has been a tragic one. We insist fiercely on our rights regarding the Arab part of the city, on recognizing it as occupied territory. But once this is achieved, we are quite open to discuss in any form or way to make Jerusalem a meeting place of all believers in God, and ensuring the rights of all to the Holy City.

Q. You have a bad mark in your teacher's report as far as the past is concerned, because the Jews have often accused the Jordanian administration of not allowing them to come to the Wailing Wall. Was the teacher right?

A. It was not my fault, it was a situation which I inherited, and it was a situation that unfortunately prevailed up to June 1967. It was because of the lack of a total solution to the problem, but I was never satisfied with it.

Croat nationalism on the rise

By NEAL ACHERSON

BELGRADE (Otas.) COMING back to Yugoslavia after 19 years' absence is like suffering a fit of progeria — the disease which makes you old before your time. Not two decades, but a century of change seems to have taken place.

A somnolent Balkan town like Belgrade, where whistlers peep along in carts slowly wobbled along empty boulevards and gypsies sang by lamplight in clay hovels, has become a whirlpool of gushing, squabbling traffic. Busy young men in sleek suits dart in and out of supermarkets and snack bars, or cram the lifts of elegant skyscrapers. Western newspapers and native erotic magazines festoon the kiosks.

Two decades ago, shortly after the 1948 breach with the Communists, young people were asserting an uncompromising, idealistic Communism. Building sites carried long slogans about Tito and the construction of socialism.

It was still, in some ways, a fading Stalinism without Stalin. Today Yugoslavia has become the most original and complex experiment in socialism the world has ever seen. So much is going on at so many different levels that months are needed to gain a sense of confident perspective.

Croat nationalism is the subject of the hour. In December, after two years of mounting nationalist agitation broke out into student strikes and demonstrations. Tito intervened and the leaders of the League of Communists in Croatia were forced to resign. They had tried to ride the tiger of aggrieved Croat patriotism, a movement led largely by literary intellectuals and staffed by

students from the poor uplands of the republic.

But the movement has distinctly anti-Communist features, and underground connections with the right-wing Croat emigre groups in the West. These often descended from the Croat emigrés, in turn, are politically fascists who ran a pro-Nazi puppet state during the war.

Some 15 students and intellectuals, associated with the nationalist movement, will stand trial in Croatia. The sabotage of a Yugoslav airliner and the explosion of a bomb on a train in Croatia, both attributed to Croat emigre extremists, have sharpened the tension. But the authorities intend to make the trials as "democratic and open" as they can, and the recent conference of the all-Yugoslav League of Communists in Belgrade showed that Tito was anxious to reduce the atmosphere of crisis as rapidly as he could.

Fortunately, the Croatian outbreak did not seriously provoke nationalist reaction in other republics. But that remains a force to be reckoned with. One of the Macedonian leaders, Mr. Krsto Crankovski, fired experimentally in socialism the previous Croat leadership. The Albanian majority in the autonomous region of Kosovo has at last been granted its rights, and is agitating for greater independence.

The real danger, however, is the latent national feeling of Serbia itself. The Croat movement, with its anti-Serb oratory, produced a few sparks of anger: some intellectuals demanded that Belgrade television should use the Cyrillic lettering of Serbia and a well-known Serbian nationalist, the lawyer Subotic, has been arrested.

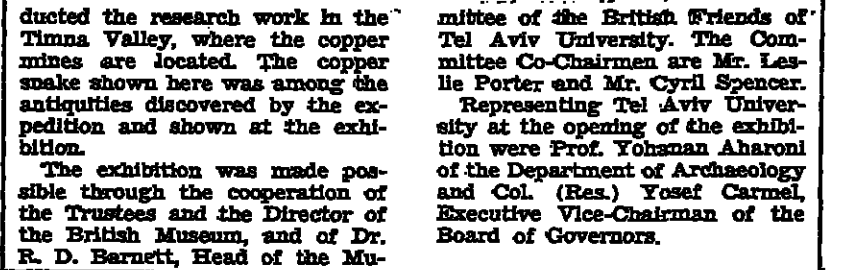
Archaeology Dept. Sets Up Exhibit On Midianite Timna at British Museum

By E. RON

TEL AVIV. — An exhibition on Timna during Biblical times, recently on view in the British Museum in London, was organized and set up by Dr. Benno Rothenberg of Tel Aviv University's Department of Archaeology.

The exhibition was made possible through the cooperation of the Trustees and the Director of the British Museum, and of Dr. R. D. Barnett, Head of the Museum's Department of Western Asiatic Antiquities.

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The Timna Valley, where the copper mines are located. The copper mine shown here was among the antiquities discovered by the expedition and shown at the exhibition.

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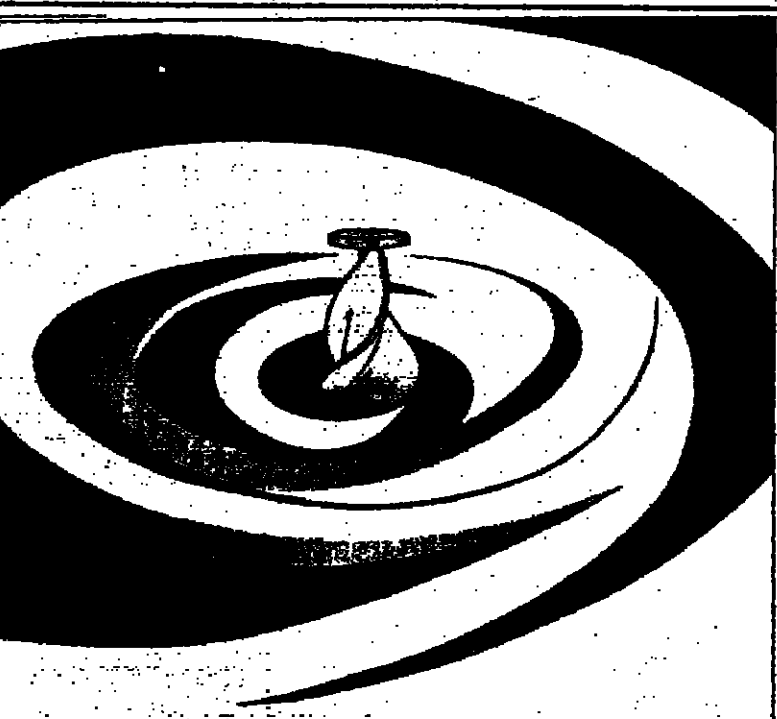
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This week in Israel

Tu B'Shvat variation

TU B'Shvat, the Jewish arbor day, this year was different from every other year. Instead of just planting saplings, young people chose to use the chance to protest against building plans which will change the Jerusalem landscape. The Ommariya area, over which towers a ghastly deck of 18-storeys insolently thrust against the sky, and stunting the inhabited grounds around, is a case in point. Perhaps the most incisive argument effectively clinching the many-voiced debate came from Noa Weiss, a seventh grader at Beit Hayered. She pleaded: "This is the last open space in the area where my friends and I can have camp-fires or hold class get-togethers."

The planting of trees used to be aimed at filling deserts with plants. Now the enemy is concrete. Air, views, greenery and space are indispensable to modern life. Mayor Teddy Kollek must have realized this when he decided to reduce the area of building on the Ommariya site to less than half of what was originally planned. He told an audience at Beit Agron on Monday: "Population density in the area would become too great for the available roads and the planned roads, and other infrastructure."

Skyscrapers, for all that they are technological wonders, are monstrous blocks with a pentenary look about them. Professor David Flusser, the renowned authority on comparative religion, who scathingly planted a sapling on the upper slope of the Ommariya, summed it up: "We have to fight for a more human future." His words dwarf as proud a triumph as the Empire State Building.

Jerusalem, the comeliest of cities, cannot afford to let vandals ruin her natural beauty with giant stone trunks. One of her many appeals is the merging of houses old and new, tall and low, never out of proportion, all gracefully floating the hills. Another charm is the delicate blend of urban and rural within the actual

town. A short walk away from city lights one can find a peaceful nook in nature. There is always a copiece to which a Jerusalemite can repair when ominous thoughts about pollution and other vile modernisms press too hard upon him. This took form this week when a group of religious scouts pitched their tents on a site adjacent to the ugly skyscraper, setting up a sign: "Ommariya Woods." Falling on Tu B'Shvat, when "the flowers appear in the land" and "the time of singing has come" (Song of Songs 2:12), the symbol is all the more acute.

The importance of Israel Bonds

THE second major Jewish Conference to be held within a month is that of the Israel Bonds, here for an extraordinary session at the request of Prime Minister Golda Meir and Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. The purpose is to discuss short and long term economic needs. The more immediate goal is to help meet this year's stupendous quota of \$450m. At the present conference, Israel Bonds comes of age. Its achievements have been more than considerable. As a result of the establishment of the State, of a vision of David Ben-Gurion, Golda Meir, and the late Eliezer Kaplan, sponsored and promoted by men of immense dedication and organization calibre — among others Henry Montor, Joseph Schwartz, Leo Bernstein, Sam Rothberg, Julian Venez, Lou Boyar — its contribution is remarkable. Indefatigable efforts have resulted in as soaring a sale as two billion dollars worth of Bonds. Only last year it succeeded in mobilizing five times the amount sold 20 years ago. The impressive figure of \$251m. was duly handed to the Government.

Many years ago, this vital economic arm helped to give a fledgling Israel the image of a society on the move. Today, with the influx of our Russian brethren the Bonds leaders came once more to help us settle them. The delegates here are both veterans

and members of the young generation.

Delegates heard Israeli leaders from Golda Meir down describe to them Israel's financial needs today. Faced with a stupendous defence bill — Israel spends over 30 per cent of her Gross National Product on security compared to America's eight per cent — Israel also has to absorb the flood of immigration and to provide for the human needs of deprived members of the population.

Delegates met Russians arriving on a plane; they went down to the Suez Canal. Deeply moved, many of them weeping, they pledged vast amounts of money to the new Bonds Campaign.

SAMUEL KOENRORFF



Jaffa Maccabi's Goalkeeper, Michael, stops an attack by Eliahom of Jerusalem Betar. (Photo by Ami Rubinger)

YOUNG AND OLD ENJOY THE BALLET

By Mark Daniel Sacks
Jerusalem Post Junior Reporter

AHEAD of us an old man sat down. He was sitting in our seats, but so gentle was his manner, that we sat down alongside him, instead of demanding that he move his frail body. It is true that by doing so we were sitting in someone else's seat, but the curtain hadn't opened, the lights in the hall were bright, and I wondered what this old man could possibly see in the programme. Then I observed how deft were the hands with which he was playing, and realized that if anyone was to question the point of another's presence, it was he who should be the object of his query. But the "we" would not refer only to the two of us — the hall was full, and the majority were young people, such as one might expect to see in a night club or in some cafe, playing their guitars. Yet they had come to the Nachmani Hall to watch classical ballet.

Far too often I hear the complaint that not many of the youth have time for classical ballet, or classical music either, for that matter. I do not recognize the validity of this claim, and neither apparently do any of the young spectators who had come to watch the grace and beauty of the Classical Ballet Company's dancers. Their voluntary presence proved this.

The lights dimmed, the curtains started to move, and the frail old gentleman next to us stopped playing with his dry, disciplined and aged hands.

Chairs bound the dancers in the first dance. Though based on classical ballet, the dance was not limited to one specific form. We were gracefully told of the lack of freedom which man is destined from the day he is born. At times we feel he has managed to discard our chains, we feel that we are free to be ourselves, to decide for ourselves. But we soon find out how wrong we are — all too soon we are disillusioned. Fate once again takes control over the dancer's actions, they are bound in chains, mere puppets in the hands of fate. The dancers moved back gracefully, the curtains closed, the lights went on. Interval, and I looked at my programme.

The Classical Ballet Company was formed in 1967 by Berta Yampolsky and Hillel Markman. The two had just returned from



Berta Yampolsky (Sacks photo)

abroad, where they had been dancing for many years with different ballet companies in Europe and in America. Upon arriving in Israel, they decided that the time had come to introduce the entire Israeli public to all the different aspects of the art of classical ballet.

Looking up, I noticed that the old man was still fiddling with his worn, time-eroded fingers, but he was smiling as he looked with pleasure, and not without envy, at the swaying curtain. Behind the curtain were the dancers, preparing for the next dance. They are all Israelis, and were trained and became professional in the Classical Ballet Centre, which is the official school of the Company. The Company insists on developing Israeli talents. Its repertoire is wide, and ranges from the pure classical style through to the neo-classical ballet, up to the ballet of our time. In other words, from ballets such as "Swan Lake," the "Nut-Cracker" and "Don Quixote" up to creations of today: "Les Liens" and "The Closed House Interplay."

The curtains reopened to reveal four ballerinas gliding

swiftly and gracefully onto the stage. Their pink dresses, cheeks and white flesh complemented their delicate movements, making them look like fairy dolls picked off a wedding cake. Particularly impressive was Lahan Ben David, a petite dancer whose grace and swift flow of clean movements made her look fresh and pure — it was almost as if a careful search would reveal some of the dew that hadn't yet been shaken off. She created an impression of one whose ballet is engraved deep in her nature.

Lahan is young — she is still at school — and her young age, in comparison to that of the other dancers, makes her even more impressive. Lahan herself claims that she is not nearly as good as we seemed to think; either as laymen we are not good judges, or she is very modest. I suggested as much to her — she smiled shyly and looked away. The dance in which Lahan performed was of pure classical style without the modern influence evident in the rest of the programme. The dance, "Pas de Quatre" was first performed on July 12, in the year 1845. On that historic occasion the world's four greatest ballerinas were assembled in London for the performance of the dance. The original choreography was not preserved, but in 1936 Keith Lester reconstructed the ballet from lithograph pictures and critics' descriptions.

This dance was followed by another two dances, both modern in style. The first, "Conflict," describes two lovers who contrast with one another because of their different natures. They both develop and change, but the changes never coincide.

The last of the four dances was much less emotional than the preceding "Conflict." It was Roberto Trinchero's "Divertimento," it was happy and light, but it was much less enjoyable than the other three dances.

The four items presented on the programme were all different but had one thing in common. All were based on classical ballet, but they were not all presented in the pure classical style. This may explain what attracted so many young people to the performance. The name of the company doesn't mean anything other than that the works performed by the company, whether modern or jazz, are based on the style of the Classical Ballet.

The performance over, the frail old gentleman buried himself in his coat and wandered off with an old-man's slowness, inflicted upon him by time, over which he had no control.

As we walked past him we slackened our brisk pace, said "goodbye," although we hadn't said "hello," and walked on, with an uncomfortable awareness of how cumbersome and awkward even our movements were.

Parents versus children

By AVIVA GRAUDEE (grade 12)
Hugim High School, Haifa

THE conflict between parents and children has very much been discussed, but nobody has yet found a solution to the problem, or has presented the parents with a correct way to react to their children's problems.

Till the age of eight, children do whatever they are asked to do by their parents, but reaching this age they learn from other older boys or brothers that there is a possibility of opposing their parents' orders.

Parents don't understand that they have to give the children a chance to say what they want and to go from their parents' only guidance to continue in the right path, instead of following their friends in wrong activities.

At the age of 13, when children are on the way to adolescence, greater problems arise between parents and children. It is a critical age.

Children want to be free, to cut the apron strings to which they have been tied. They feel themselves grown up, and want to be "like the elders." Parents, instead of giving them limited freedom, give them too much, or no freedom at all. Parents do not know what the middle way is, they give too much or nothing.

Too much love or nothing, to me the courtesy of your columns to advise teachers interested that they are welcome to attend.

Yours etc.,
Hazel Garmron, flat 8, Rishon Lezion.

Language paper No. 21

Composed by MOSHE POSNER

1. The following words have been omitted. Put them back in the right place, compromise, invasion, institutions, altered, absorb, exciting, distinct.

The story of the early days in Britain is interesting and ————. At one time it seemed possible that the Scandinavian might destroy or at least ———— the Anglo-Saxon language. At another time two ———— languages, English and French, ———— side by side in England. Yet the result was never the complete ———— of any one tongue, because the story of the English language well ———— the spirit of ———— that is said to be typical of all English during 2,000 years, the language has been shaped, ———— and added to by borrowing from almost every country in the world.

2. Complete the following sentences with an infinitive without "to"

- Why do you keep interrupting? Let him ———— for himself.
- She made him ———— for his rude behaviour.
- How dare you ———— a thing like that?
- You shouldn't ———— so much bread. You'll get fat.
- You must ———— the bill before the end of the month.
- I watched the farmer ———— the animals.
- I don't feel like doing it now. Let's ———— it till later.
- Would you please help me ———— the box into the other room?
- Watch me ———— the bicycle, Mother.
- I'm sure I heard someone ———— my name.

3. Write sentences to the following question tags: e.g. He was there, wasn't he?

-, need we?
-, shouldn't we?
-, aren't they?
-, isn't there?
-, could he?
-, haven't they?
-, has he?

- can you?
-, won't you?
-, am I?
- Put in the missing prepositions: a. I'm not ———— the mood ———— joking.
- I know his name but I can't think ———— it ———— the moment.
- I took your hat ———— mistake ———— my own.
- The message was delivered ———— mouth.
- A strange idea has suddenly ———— to me.
- How long has this government been ———— office?
- It was love ———— first sight.
- He looks as though he's ———— pain.
- I apologize ———— any mistake ———— my part.
- I'm not very optimistic ———— the future.

5. Put in the missing relative pronouns only where necessary. Put in commas only where necessary.

- Jacqueline Landau ———— husband works for the Jerusalem Post has just returned from England.
- The flat ———— they have just moved into is very tastefully furnished.
- Her mother ———— is in Israel at present is a friend of my sister.
- My niece Marilyn ———— you met in England has four delightful children.
- Her husband Michael ———— you have never met is a very charming fellow.
- They are here on holiday ———— is for me an unexpected pleasure.
- Mrs. Stern ———— does this language paper regularly, has six grandchildren.
- She lives at Kfar Daniel ———— is a moshav shvilim near Lydda.

Junior crossword No. 20

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Set By VIVIANNE GIL

- ACROSS
- "Where's Reuben? He ———— in the chair by the window just a moment ago?" (3, 7).
 - "I think he heard a ———— and went out to see if it was a cat ———— top of the roof." (5, 2).
 - "It was probably ———— along the roof to catch a rat." (7)
 - "I thought there were ———— rats in this village." (1, 2)
 - "I think there are some. I saw one ———— top of a sack of flour yesterday." (1, 2)
 - "Really? We shall have to ———— some traps to catch them." (3)
 - My next door neighbour ———— a trap. We could borrow that (3)
 - How old are you? And what ———— will you be ———— your next birthday? (3, 2)
 - Mary began to cry. Tears ran down her face and she began to ———— I have ———— idea what was wrong. (3, 2)
 - She isn't three yet. She is only ————, I know why she was crying. (3, 6)
 - Her father tried to get her to say what was wrong, but ———— couldn't understand what she was saying. (2, 2)
 - This sack is made of ————, a product of Bangia Deah. (4)
 - plane we can travel east to the Land of the Rising ———— (2, 3)
 - But he was the ancients' god of love. (4)
 - open your mouth too wide when you swallow your ————, a slang word that reminds me of a dog. (2, 4, 4)
 - You can see his broken teeth when he ———— (5)
 - But he has got ———— open his mouth to eat. (2)

- DOWN
- Peter found that his uncle and aunt ———— to see him outside the office. (4, 7)
 - They are wonderful people.
 - They are ———— would rather talk to them than any one else. (2, 4, 4, 1)
 - The teacher told her pupils to write the exercise ———— pencils were to be used. (2, 3, 2)
 - That lorry is very heavy. I should think it weighs at least a ———— (3)
 - I have seen lions, leopards, jaguars and cheetahs, but I have never seen a ————, I should like to go to the zoo. (5, 2)
 - Tigers are striped. There ———— one in the zoo in this city. (2)
 - The ———— who lives next door to me is very jolly and hearty. When he sees me, he shouts "———" like a pirate greeting a "bottle of rum." (9, 2)
 - He is selling his house, I am afraid he will soon be ———— I shall never see him again. My other neighbour has moved ———— (4, 3, 2)
 - Do ————, I am sad. When I asked if he and his wife would visit you, he said, "———, certainly will."
 - He has ———— enemies because he is always so cheerful. (2)
 - He has borrowed a lot of money, and he will have to pay back all that he ———— Wednesday. (4, 2)
 - You owe me some money. ("Some money" is the direct ———— in this sentence.) (6)
 - But I can't pay you back. I have no money. I have ———— until the end of the month. (4)
 - But I hope to have some ———— the 31st, ———— perhaps the 30th. (2)
 - Note of Martha's letter was readable. She had written it in ink and it had fallen into some water. She finds life full of ———— and downs, so I hope she is happy and in one of her up periods, and not sobbing because someone has made her unhappy. (3)
 - Two prizes will be awarded. Results to be submitted to the Jerusalem Post Junior, P.O. Box 81, by the end of next week. Results of puzzle No. 18.

- ANSWERS
- ACROSS: 1. rescued by 6. on 7. cracked all 9. is 10. do 12. eyes 13. one 14. died 15. we 16. town low car 20. side 21. on 22. all 23. added to 27. lass eye 29. Miss 30. ides or
- DOWN: 1. richest sack 2. stayed wells 3. eye so 4. brain it 5. on 6. old 8. kind less 11. over 13. sing 15. want 17. off 18. saved 19. codes 24. as 1 25. eye 28. on 28 as
- The winners of the draw were: Diana Schual, Kibbutz Ezer Keshet 15247, P.O. Lower Galilee; Shimon Steyer, 49 Rehov Plinker, Haifa.

TO THE UNKNOWN GOD

By INGRID MORRIS (17), Beersheba

If I were to give to you the laments of yellow,
Would your heart turn blue
and your eyes reflect mellow?
If I were to take from you the meaning of blood,
Would you forget the morning's dew
and sink into the night's mud?
If you were to give to me the glory of time,
Would I forget to be and refuse to climb?
If you were to take from me the remembrance of death,
Would I still love the trees and cherish the breath?
If we were to give to each other the shattering of touch,
Would we become one mother and ask for too much?
If we were to take from each other the misunderstanding of nothing,
Would we become one brother and mix hating with loving?

POP MUSIC REVIEW:

ILAN AND ILANIT

By MAELIN DAVIDSON
POST Junior Pop Music Correspondent

ILAN & Ilanit have been in the news recently since their tour to Africa with Boaz Sharabi. They have produced one of the most delightful records out this year on Dov Zeira's label "Hataklit" which is entitled "Veshuv Item." The first song, "Veshuv Item," was a hit in the Israeli charts not so long ago. Its simple yet charming style truly represents the infectious rhythm of the duo, which has attracted many followers in the course of their successful career. On this LP they sing many well-known numbers such as "Kumbaya," "After Midnight" and others, but the imaginative effects of the arrangements allow one to enjoy these songs afresh, which to me seems to be an art in itself. Apart from this long-play, the Duo has released a single record in nature. There is always a pleasant change to hear someone like Ilanit singing in English, but, judging from the melody, I

would be surprised if it went down half as well as their previous successes (i.e. with a bang). Ami Shavit is a busy person nowadays, and, since last seeing him perform in Jerusalem in November, I notice he is appearing not infrequently in spots around the country. His greatest success was in Germany, where he took the charts by surprise. Although he is a writer of several well-known Israeli tunes like "The White Flower," "The Girl with the Banjo," I think his greatest asset lies in his ability to entertain. I have watched his performance at an Army base (not every entertainer in Jerusalem in November, I notice he is appearing not infrequently in spots around the country. His greatest success was in Germany, where he took the charts by surprise. Although he is a writer of several well-known Israeli tunes like "The White Flower," "The Girl with the Banjo," I think his greatest asset lies in his ability to entertain. 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TV producer tells what it costs to get out of Lithuania

By GEORGE LEONOFF
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THEY are known in Lithuania as the regiminkai — people who work for the regime. In a country where the entire work force may be said to be employed by the state, the term has a special connotation. It refers to those holding jobs of particular responsibility, doing classified work, or serving in the armed forces.

A Jewish regimink seeking permission to emigrate to Israel knows that, in the present situation, this means loss of his work, and a subsequent wait of three to five years. Those demobilized from the armed forces face something like a three-year "cooling off" period, and this refers to all ranks.

None of these restrictions has any basis in Soviet law, according to Avraham Levin, journalist and television producer who immigrated with his family from Vilna last week. But the process is public knowledge, Mr. Levin himself, fortunately, was not a regimink. His TV programmes enjoyed wide popularity and earned him a state prize, but he evidently had no access to information considered "secret" and had no particular difficulty in leaving the Soviet Union. The family applied last May, and received permission in December. By July, he had lost his job and was automatically expelled from the journalists union — "an altogether unusual occurrence," he noted.

Mr. Levin, his wife Tulla, and two daughters aged 16 and 14, did not experience financial difficulty in the six months before their departure because non-Jewish friends provided him with work (not in his line) for which he received 160 rubles (about \$145 at the official rate of exchange) a month — "without having to work too hard." The sum sufficed for living essentials.

The journalist, fortyish, stocky and vivacious despite the 4 a.m. arrival at Lod after an overnight flight from Vienna, said he may have been especially fortunate because of his wide circle of friends. He had worked earlier for a newspaper and radio, then went on to television, where he won an all-Union prize for his economic shows which included various competitions and quizzes. According to a Vilna TV magazine these had contributed to a savings of several million rubles in industrial processes.

"The Lithuanians — and this is true of practically all levels — are generally sympathetic toward Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate," the producer said. Maybe for the wrong reasons, he added: "Not that they like Jews or Israel especially, but because they dislike — even hate — the Russians. They see the desire of Jews to emigrate as a sign of protest against the regime — and they support the protest."

Latvia is worse

There was no anti-Semitism to speak of in Lithuania, he said, although the situation was completely different in neighbouring Latvia. "The Latvians are Russified," he explains, "and their leaders were drawn from members of the Latvian Brigade formed in the Soviet Union during the Second World War."

Mr. Levin does not come from a notably Zionist background, although his mother, widowed in the war, came to Israel from Vilna in 1948, soon after Germany's defeat. She died the next year.

His father, Moshe Levin, was head of the resistance in the Kovno ghetto, and was killed during the Nazi roundup of concealed Jewish children.

He himself ran off to the partisans in the forest, and in 1944 joined up with the advancing Red Army.

Mr. Levin believes most of the remaining Jews in Lithuania want to go to Israel (there is no reliable estimate of their number, and the nearest Jewish Agency can come up with is "probably tens of thousands"). He divides them into three categories: those who have decided to leave and have applied, those who are on the verge of applying, and those who wish to go but have not yet decided for various reasons — health, studies, a member of the family in the armed forces, etc.

Departure is costly. Each person of 16 and over must pay 900 rubles for a passport and another 100 for the trip to Vienna. En route expenses amount to several hundred rubles per person. But families are permitted to take most of their belongings with them, including furniture — provided they have had it for not less than a year. The same applies to a piano, although a special tax must be paid for imported instruments. Other articles of value may be taken along, provided they cost no more than 250 rubles each — a TV set worth 250 rubles would not be cleared, for example.

But existing regulations were such that the Levin family had to leave behind nothing they wished to take with them. Mr. Levin spoke with indignation about a report in "Pravda" about conditions in Schoenau Schloss in Austria, where Israel officials process arrivals from the Soviet Union. The article claimed the castle was surrounded with barbed wire, and that the immigrants were kept there by armed guards who patrol the grounds with police dogs. "Needless to say, it was all falsification. Our family arrived in Vienna, were cleared the same day, and on our way to Israel the next."

Mr. Levin who speaks German and a self-taught English that is remarkably fluent considering he "picked it up from B.B.C. broadcasts," was with his family assigned to the Ashkelon absorption centre, where he is attending an ulpan. "The first thing is to learn the language," he says. "His future plans? To find work in my profession, of course."



This is what happened when a Leyland lorry travelling from Beit Lid only towards Haifa on Tuesday collided with a passenger car. The car driver was taken to hospital with serious injuries.

Plan for survival Man must master the machine

By GERALD LEACH

LONDON. — FOR several years environmentalists have bombarded the world with gloomy and dire warnings that a peaceful earth is heading for disaster. Their impact has been astonishing. There is now a very wide consensus among the public as well as informed scientists, that if industrial civilization is to survive six grandchild generations, its expansionist behaviour must be drastically curbed.

But there agreement ends. The new environmental battle lines are being drawn over a much more contentious question. Can we ensure our survival by adding to the present systems — cleaning up mucky rivers here, recycling some raw-away bottle there — or does the environmental crisis really demand a far more radical reversal of our destructive technology and acquisitive, growth economy?

Many people, even in government, slip service to the second idea to shrink from the awesome social problems apparently involved. How, specially can massive "de-growth" be achieved without creating massive unemployment — since at present only one in five has a job, and their social evils is to annihilate more growth? The dilemma seems vicious that every excuse is found to retreat to less extreme solutions and to play down the more ominous warnings of the environmentalists.

"The Blueprint for Survival" published in last month's issue of a journal "Ecologist" over the signature of 33 distinguished British scientists and economists, is therefore an extraordinarily important document. It is the first full-bodied attempt to show not only how the deadlock can be broken, but how it could lead to a far more humane and enjoyable society. It is no significant sign that the advance guard of the environmentalists is giving up its Cassandra role and starting to lead the search for positive, constructive answers to its environmental ills.

Not that these ills are minimized. Each of the 33 signatories is a forceful proponent of how over-population, over-pollution and over-production are combining to disrupt the life-support systems of our planet, with the probability of irreversible breakdowns occurring certainly in the lifetime of our children.

"If we allow the present growth rate to persist," a key section reads, "the total ecological demand (a measure of man's impact on the environment) will increase by a factor of 33 over the next 60 years — and there can be no serious person today willing to concede the possibility, or indeed the desirability, of our accommodating the pressures arising from such growth. For should we attempt to do so, the consequences will be the disruption of ecosystems, the failure of food supplies, the exhaustion of resources, and the collapse of society."

The conclusion? Industrial (and developing) societies must be established. More than that, however, they cannot possibly be stabilized — for obvious electoral reasons — unless the path to stability is made both attractive and made to point to an alternative place in a society where stability means instead of stagnation a more varied, enjoyable and fulfilling life for all.

It sounds like a tall order. But the authors of the Blueprint, and its signatories, believe it can be met if — and only if — we abandon our current short-term and piecemeal approach and develop a very long-term, gradual, carefully orchestrated and positive programme of change. The real significance of the Blueprint is that it sets out, for the first time, a sketch plan of what such an integrated programme for stability might look like.

Its central idea is to withdraw from "growth" in carefully timed stages of increasing magnitude. First, simple controls to reduce pollution, followed by a freeze operation to halt the trends — for example, the complete banning of persistent pesticides. Then there would have to be a major "substitution operation" to replace heavy resource-using and polluting technologies (e.g. the car) by less damaging alternatives.

What would come the invention and planning in of "alternative technologies" that can be sustained indefinitely because they neither use resources nor pollute (e.g. fish farms fed by sewage).

The correct timing and interlocking of these stages will be critical if they are to avoid severe social and economic tensions. The Blueprint authors are the first to admit it. And one can see why it is one of the most important specific proposals; namely, a raw materials tax on scarcer metals, a tax to penalise short-lived or throw-away products, and a power tax. The long-term aim of the power tax is to force a switch from production by energy-hungry machines to labour-intensive industries — i.e. to create jobs — but the immediate effect of the tax on short-lived products would be to create hefty unemployment in many industries (think of cars that lasted 25 years).

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Technicians school in Haifa graduates 248

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Senior Technicians School, founded by the Technion-affiliated Bosmat Trade School, last week awarded graduation certificates to 248 senior technicians (handicrafts) and technicians (technicians). This is the largest number of graduates so far, in one year, and they have all reportedly been absorbed by the armed services, industry and services.

This is also the first group to have earned not only technicians' diplomas, but also a modified matriculation certificate adjusted by the Ministry of Education to those who complete courses at technical high schools.

The Senior Technicians and Technicians School (the difference in status is determined by the duration of the course) today has about 2,000 students.

Many of the graduates submitted original projects, some of which were singled out by the school's management staff as a parameter for heart patients that can be cheap and efficient gadget to check the number of revolutions of a motor without touching it, an electronic system that converts an ordinary washing machine into an automatic one and others.

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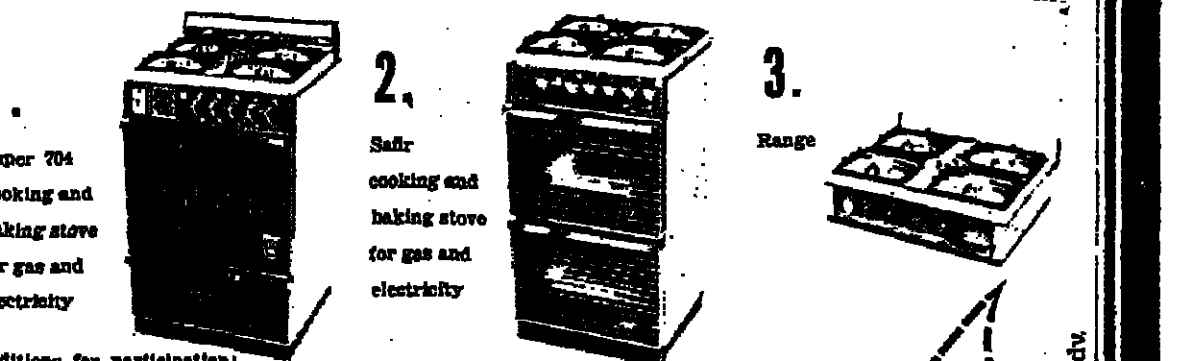
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Amos Keinan (Yedioth Aharonoth 5.12.71)

BACK TO "RON"

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"Ron" was awarded recently the 3 forks (stars) award by the "Basmal Israel Guide" and "Israel's Gastronomic Society" in Tel Aviv. The inspecting gastronomes awarded the restaurant with two (2) "Excellent" marks and one (1) "Outstanding" mark which is the highest award for food. Starting from the end, as far as we know "Ron" is considered among the few best restaurants in Israel. We started our meal with aperitif, and my companion could not resist ordering oscar, even though it was clear that they are from a can. Yet, the main thing in this specific dish is its sauce, and it is considered as being "All Right" which means that it is made of butter, parsley and mainly garlic. Your humble servant decided to try Avocado à la "Ron" which is an avocado stuffed with shrimps and oven-baked with cream cheese. The taste is like wafers in avocado. I don't know who claims to be the source of that dish but truly, in the country of the avocado it should be blessed. Via grenach was served at the table and then came the main attraction of that meal, Duckling in oranges, or better known as "Canard à l'orange". The problem in preparing a Duckling lies in its skin which is greasy and untasty if not prepared right. Very few restaurants in Israel know how to prepare it while the majority fail when it comes to this special dish.

The Duckling I had at "Ron" was the best I ever tasted and the same goes for the sauce which was so delicious that we finished every single drop of it using our spoons, even after we got through with the Duckling itself.

Desserts: Chocolate mousse as light as air, and the specialty of the place: Dates filled with nuts and almonds topped with sugar. Not to mention the coffee and the glass of digestives which helps you digest this delicious meal. The check for the two of us including everything was IL\$2.50.

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Women have equal rights—as long as they're alive Everyone to save for a pension

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

IF Israel had a "Women's Lib" movement its members would do well to picket the offices of Labour Minister Yosef Almogi. Not that Mr. Almogi dislikes women, the opposite is true I'm sure; but he is having certain difficulties with ensuring them equal rights regarding pensions. The difficulties could probably be resolved quickly if a solid phalanx of women were to make a public issue out of the problem.

When a woman on pension dies, her pension rights die with her, while a man's pension is transferable to his widow. This anomaly exists in our society even while it is written into the law that women must get equal pay for equal work. "It's difficult to give women equal rights in pensions," Mr. Almogi declared when speaking at a meeting of *The Jerusalem Post* editorial staff this week. Presided by the women present to explain what is so difficult, the Minister squirmed on his seat, flashed his broadest and most captivating smile and gave the impression that he was praying that someone would change the subject. "A few months ago I appointed a committee composed entirely of women to study the problem and to make suggestions. I hope they will report soon."

The ladies were not satisfied, but the Minister had nothing more to add except that it is a complicated matter and needs study. This was perhaps the only moment in the lengthy meeting when Mr. Almogi was stuck for an answer. Secure in the knowledge that he is doing a good job of work at his Ministry, the boss from Haifa is a more relaxed, polished and consummate politician than at any time in the recent past. His direct, open, friendly style makes it hard not to like him.

The questions about women's rights came up at the end of a lengthy explanation by the Minister of the national universal pension scheme which he is striving to bring into force over the vigorous opposition of numerous vested interests.

A couple of years ago Mr. Almogi decided that it is necessary to force people to ensure their personal future. He realized that the pensions of the National Insurance Institute (Bituah Leumi) does not answer the needs, as it is a social payment rather than an insurance. Whatever the contribution to the National Insurance, the pension remains the same flat sum. He appointed the Bar-Niv committee to study the best method of national pension which could be applied here. This committee soon ran up against the opposition of the seven Histadrut-sponsored pension funds and private funds and the warring demands for who should control the national scheme. During its 18 months of work these bodies fought for the ends of their own interests, the Minister continued. However, this did not deter him because as he pointed out, about 300,000 of the country's 800,000 wage earners do not save anything.

In addition, some 250,000 out of the 300,000 self-employed do not save either. Most of those designated as self-employed are not big businessmen or prosperous professionals, but taxi or truck drivers, kiosk owners and such like, he pointed out.

The proposed national pensions law which will be published in about two months time will enable the existing pension funds to continue to operate and even will be possible for new ones to be opened. The proposal will call for ensuring a fixed percentage of the average wage for every recipient of the National Insurance pension. Fixing the percentage will make sure that the pensioner's income keeps abreast of rising incomes.

The self-employed will be required to save an additional two per cent of their income on top of the current four per cent, and they will receive a pension of up to 40 per cent the average wage on retirement. They can join any pension fund, and those who do not want to join the existing funds will be able to make their contributions to a special fund to be set up by the National Insurance Institute.

All wage-earners will be required to be members of a pension fund. Some type of public pensions council will also be established to control the existing funds. Those who want a larger pension will be able to insure themselves with a private fund, as they may today.

Prefacing his answers to questions on immigration, Mr. Almogi agreed that there is room for reor-

Almogi tells POST



ganization of the Ministries and offices handling their absorption. "The next government would do no harm if it was to consider joining the Ministry of Housing and the Public Work Department and linking them with town planning and land policy perhaps creating a Ministry of Building. This could also include the road building work of the P.W.D."

"I don't delude myself that it can be done today with existing coalition demands, that's why we have to make the best of the present situation with so many Ministries involved."

The Minister described the three vital areas in the absorption of immigrants — housing, work and social integration, "though not necessarily in that order."

Work, he assured us, would be available for all the newcomers, even if 75,000 were to come this year. He admitted that there would be difficulties in finding suitable jobs for every individual, "but with the average age of the Russian immigrants being 27, they are excellent material and they are adaptable." We must make every effort to absorb them satisfactorily because the way they settle down has a direct bearing on whether big numbers will continue to come.

Asked why his Ministry appears to do nothing about preventing the employment of child labour, Mr. Almogi said that this is not really true. "If we find a case of a child under 15 years of age being employed we remove him from his place of work. I remember that there was such a case quite recently." "Yes," said one of the Post staffers present, "it was the one who brought it to your attention."

The Minister said that he had no intention of changing any of the laws in respect of child labour, because there were sufficient regulations on the books to cope with the problem. "There are two solutions. Firstly, it is up to the Ministry of Education to ensure that every child goes to school up to the age of 15 and that the Ministry has the powers to punish parents of truants. For the chronic cases, the Welfare Ministry has the sheltered workshops for adolescent children with delinquency or criminal records, and the children can be sent there."

"It is not the responsibility of the Ministry of Labour," he said. Furthermore he limited himself to commenting on those children who are receiving a regular wage for their work. Newspaper vendors are considered as self-employed, and therefore outside the range of his Ministry.

The latter part of the Minister's talk was devoted to political and diplomatic issues. He asked that they not be published. But he did note, for the record, that the coalescing of a number of parties within the Labour Party had not yet eliminated the feeding which existed when they went separate ways. In fact, the infighting is probably worse today than it was when there were formally separated units. "We have cancelled the divisions, but they still continue."

TO choose a programme designed to represent the musical culture of one particular country, and to make it sound representative, is a difficult undertaking, but this evening's selection seemed particularly haphazard and in part insignificant.

The Scarlatti Cantata is plainly boring; to include Liszt only because of the literary and geographical association is indefensible; the Paganini in Schumann's setting is hardly worth listening to, and the Rossini songs were elegant but trifling there. Remain the two Oboe Concertos and the Scarlatti Sonatas as the more worthwhile examples. But Ehud Avihail has given better

evidence of his musicianship before, and Benjamin Oren seemed nervous and over-loud in accompaniments and unconvincing in his solo contributions. The Scarlatti Sonatas cannot take such a romantic treatment as he gave them.

Anat Breiter sang with clear voice and intelligent phrasing though one would have wished for a more felicitous programme for her. It seems that the concert programmers took their task a little too easily and the musical ambitions of the Dants Alighieri Society could easily have been satisfied with a more careful selection from the vast musical production of one of the most musical people of the world.

YOHANAN BOEHM

A musical people ill-served

Readers' letters
CLERGY GRATEFUL

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*
Sir, — Our Christmas season was a quiet and joyful one here in Jerusalem. Among the many kind acts shown to us was the annual presentation of trees for Christmas by Keren Kayemet. This brought to mind the many kind deeds shown to us through the year by the various government departments, and it is sound representative of a kind individual. Just this week at our ministers' meeting, we were honoured to have our Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Teddy Kolek, as a special guest. He won us by his directness, comprehensiveness, fairness and wit. I could see why he is well accepted by Jews and Arabs alike.

I express not only my gratitude but the appreciation of our Jerusalem Ministers Fraternal as well.

REV. ALEXANDER WAGHEL
Convener
Jerusalem Ministers Fraternal
Jerusalem, January 26.

CZECHOSLOVAK STAMPS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*
Sir, — In your issue of January 16, I read with amazement the story about the three stamps from Czechoslovakia, issued to mark the 1,000th anniversary of Jewish settlement in Bohemia 1,000 years ago.

Those stamps were issued in 1967 and have been in use since then. I have an envelope with the Jewish stamps cancelled 1967, received in Tel Aviv. In addition, may I refer you to the 1972 Zumbstein Stamps Catalogue, page 1112, where you will find those stamps under Nos. 1617, 1619 and 1620, all three priced only S.Fr. 3.90, which is a very low price for "rare" or even "underrated" stamps.

ERNEST HIRSCH
Tel Aviv, January 16.

Violinist with personality

Viola recital by Sidney Harth. At the concert, Alexander Tamir (Tel Aviv, U.S. Cultural Centre, January 28). Works by Nicola Leppin; Norman Dello Joio; Carlos Surinach; Robert Starer; Herbert Elwell.

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Nicola Lopatnikoff's broad phrases, in his "Fantasia Concertante," provided the violinist with an opportunity to demonstrate his rich, resonant tone and his perfect bowing. Norman Dello Joio's "Colloques" is a dodecaphonic composition, but it is interestingly expressive, and Mr. Harth gave it an inspired reading. In his "Flamenco Cyclothymia," Carlos Surinach uses traditional Spanish Flamenco tone-

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Trepper's son starts hunger strike at Wall

By SHALOM COHEN Jerusalem Post Reporter Edward Trepper, whose father led a Soviet anti-Nazi spy network in Europe during World War II, yesterday began a hunger strike at the Western Wall compound. His aim is to induce the Polish authorities to permit his father and mother to leave for Israel.



Dr. Edward Trepper, on a hunger strike near the Western Wall yesterday.

Judge orders Haifa shippers reject Seamen's Union ultimatum

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HALFA. — The shipping companies have flatly rejected a Seamen's Union ultimatum to equalize the wages and social benefits of the 1,200 foreign seamen they employ with those of their 2,800 Israeli shipmates.

Haifa pioneer Avraham Spector dead at 88

Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — Avraham Spector, a veteran Haifa resident and a pioneer builder on Mt. Carmel, died in his Mt. Carmel home yesterday at the age of 88.

If at first you don't succeed...

Jerusalem Post Reporter GAZA. — Three luckless terrorists from Khan Yunis were yesterday sentenced to prison terms ranging from 10 years to life for possessing arms and attempting — unsuccessfully — to use them against their intended victims.

Judge blasts catch clauses in policies

TEL AVIV. — District Court Judge Moshe Belsky yesterday took insurance companies to task for writing policies larded with loopholes and trick phrases in order to evade paying out claims.

Sapir leaves for two-week U.S. visit

Jerusalem Post Reporter LOD AIRPORT. — Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir yesterday expressed guarded optimism over the new national wage contract, expressing the hope that price rises this year will be smaller than last year.

Charges trespass by engineer in church repair

Jerusalem Post Reporter A Moslem religious leader in the Old City has filed a criminal charge of trespassing against an engineer making repairs at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

Grocer fined IL500 for overcharging

Jerusalem Post Reporter ASHKELON. — A local grocer was yesterday fined IL500 for overcharging customers three to four agrot for bottles of oil.

Haifa loaders go slow seen breaking up

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — The solid front in the five-day-old go-slow by citrus-loaders stevedores at the port appeared to be cracking yesterday.

Netivei Neft probe: Kimche blames waste on Lapidot's chief

By HIRSH GOODMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter "Some people wanted to help us," said Neftei Neft's chief, Daniel Kimche, who wanted to come own and take it over. This was one of the many barbs directed at Lapidot's general manager, Mr. Mordechai Chen, by Daniel Kimche, former Neftei Neft deputy manager, who testified before the Witkon Commission of Inquiry into the Neftei Neft affair yesterday.

Netivei Neft probe: Kimche blames waste on Lapidot's chief

Lapidot, he said, where the workers "had for years been dirtying their hands with oil." Attempts to get qualified men from Lapidot, however, proved virtually impossible because of what Kimche described as the intransigence of Mr. Chen, who insisted on having his men stay at Lapidot with nothing to do. Kimche related how he had suggested to Lapidot, where he was a director, that the Heletz fields be closed down and Lapidot's staff be hired out to Neftei Neft on a contractual basis.

Netivei Neft probe: Kimche blames waste on Lapidot's chief

WASTE TIME ON DROPS? "Why have them waste their time with drops of oil when there were tons to be had at Neftei Neft," he asked. He stressed that Neftei Neft wanted Lapidot's unemployed personnel and not Lapidot the company to take over the Abu Rodels fields. As far as Mr. Kimche was concerned, Israel's veteran oil company was not sufficiently dynamic to handle the challenges posed by Abu Rodels. But the failure to use Lapidot's experts at Neftei Neft was not only Mr. Chen's fault, Mr. Kimche claimed. The Neftei Neft management had also opposed this on the grounds that it would prove more expensive than training new men, since most of Lapidot's employees were men with many years' experience behind them and had to be paid for their knowledge. Nevertheless, he claimed, Mr. Chen did nothing to help. Instead he confined himself to arguing about "dollars and cents" rather than trying to provide work for Lapidot's unemployed personnel, who were drawing salaries — partially financed by the Government.

Mediteranean Fashion Week Tel Aviv Hilton 7-11 Feb. 72. Includes various advertisements for clothing, antiques, and securities.

N.R.P. approves Chief Rabbinate compromise

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The National Religious Party executive yesterday approved a compromise over the Chief Rabbinate elections, with the provision that the incumbent chief rabbi win a retroactive extension of his powers within the coming week. Their terms lapsed Monday night.

The main points of the compromise include the following:

- The electoral body of the Chief Rabbinate Council will have a majority of rabbis.
- No age limit will be set on the Chief Rabbis at present.
- Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Unterman will become honorary president of the Chief Rabbinate Council.

Religious Affairs Minister Zerah Warhaftig promised that the coalition executive would adopt the scheme on Monday and that the Cabinet would convene specially on that day or on Tuesday to approve the measure.

Dr. Warhaftig noted that the seven-man ministerial committee headed by Justice Minister Yehoshua Shimon Shapiro had adopted the N.R.P. stand opposing an age limit for chief rabbis. In obedience to the rabbi's opposition to equal representation with public representatives on the electoral body, Dr. Warhaftig will be entitled to co-opt 10 more rabbis onto the 150-member body. He also promised that new elections would be held in four months' time.

The vote was 25 for, one against (Zvi Bernstein), with one abstention — Mr. Moshe Leshon of the Young Leaders Circle. Mr. Leshon said he was against the compromise because it would perpetuate the present Rabbinate, which has been paralysed for the past five years. "It means the incumbents will stay on until the Messiah comes," he declared.

Party Executive Chairman Yitzhak Raphael accused the Alignment of meddling in religious affairs: "Let us handle these matters," he said. Mr. Raphael said that if the Cabinet failed to approve the measure the N.R.P. would leave the coalition.

Dr. Yehuda Ben-Meir of the youth circles concurred with Mr. Raphael, and pressed Dr. Warhaftig for assurances that no strings be attached to the new scheme. He said that the Party youth circles would agree to an age limit for chief rabbis, but only for the next rabbi to be elected to office.

Meanwhile, Rabbi Unterman seems to be weakening in his earlier re-

lused to accept the position of honorary president of the Chief Rabbinate Council. He told a radio interviewer yesterday that, when "someone with the power to make an offer" finally offered him a position, he "might accept it" if it does not entail simply "sitting around idle."

Speaking to *The Jerusalem Post* earlier this week, the Chief Rabbi seemed more determined to fight against being, in effect, kicked upstairs to a position of great honour but bereft of responsibility, but a two-hour visit from Dr. Warhaftig yesterday seemed to have weakened his resolve somewhat.

Rabbi Unterman volunteered to the radio interviewer that he "has no complaints against anyone," but his tone of voice could not hide the bitter disappointment he felt — according to a close adviser — against the party he has faithfully served for 70 years. "I never dreamed they would push me out," he said.

Labour Party youth oppose compromise

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A group of young Labour Party figures — leaders of the party's Younger Leadership Circle — yesterday declared their opposition to the formula adopted by the ministerial committee on the rabbinic elections.

The group — which includes Mr. Adiel Amoral, M.K., Hevrat Ovdim Secretary Asher Yadin and Party International Director Michael Harish — demanded that the term of the incumbent Chief Rabbinate should not be extended.

An extension, they said, would be "an act of contempt of the Knesset and the Government." They urged immediate elections for a new Chief Rabbi and a 75-year age limit for chief rabbis — the same as for Supreme Court Justices.

The revolt against the ministerial committee's formula came just before the party's Leadership Bureau met here to crack down on the political autonomy of the party's "ideological circles" and approve the formation of additional circles.

In all, the establishment of four new circles was backed. One is for Soviet immigrants, led by Dr. Arye Lev-Ran, who is outspoken in his criticism of certain veteran party appointees, including Yona Kesse, who have taken control of the Soviet Immigrants' Association. The second new circle is for women members, and is seen as the nucleus of an opposition movement by younger party women politicians to the "iron rule" of Me'etzet Ha-po'elot secretary Beba Idelson. The Leadership Bureau's third approval went to an ideological circle for social progress, founded by party Deputy Secretary-General Mordechai Ben-Porat. The fourth new ideological circle is for a middle-aged group of former Palmah fighters.

The party also endorsed the continuation of four existing circles — of the ex-Lavonists, the Land of Israel Movement, the super-Dove Political Study Circle and the very active Younger Leadership Circle.



Gerald and Penny Wiseman, the parents of 22-year-old Jennifer Wiseman, a British volunteer missing since October 19. They arrived on Tuesday, and are staying at the Givatayim home of Mr. Sam Landwer while police continue their search for Jennifer. Mr. Wiseman, himself a policeman for 25 years, lives with his wife in Great Yarmouth. They have one other child, a son, Christopher, who studies at London University. Police spokesmen last night told *The Jerusalem Post* that officers are still checking out every lead, no matter how far-fetched. One of the difficulties facing them is the large number of false leads resulting from the fact that numerous other foreign visitors fit Jennifer's description. Police trackers today are going to Eilat, where Jennifer was last seen. They have all but ruled out the possibility that Jennifer "dropped out," or disappeared voluntarily, the spokesmen said.

Soviet dissidents issue their 23rd 'Chronicle'

MOSCOW (UPI). — The 23rd edition of the underground Soviet newspaper "Chronicle" appeared in Moscow yesterday despite a top-level attempt to prevent its publication, dissident sources said.

The sources said the Central Committee of the Communist Party — the nation's highest policymaking body — issued an order in December that called for suppression of the newspaper. During January, the source said, scores of Soviet secret police officers worked to prevent publication of "Chronicle 23."

They said three persons active in preparation of underground newspapers were summoned for questioning and relays of plainclothes police followed well-known dissidents wherever they went.

The latest edition of the newsletter was a typewritten document that contained details of two dissident trials, including the recent Moscow proceedings against Vladimir Bukovsky and reports of dissident activities in Moscow, Leningrad and Riga.

"Chronicle" has been published since 1968. It appears irregularly and is published by "Samizdat," literally "self-publication." Readers make typewritten copies and pass the copies on to friends who themselves make more copies, chain-letter fashion.

Moscow dissidents said they considered the appearance of "Chronicle 23" a triumph of their underground organization over the efforts of the secret police. The Moscow dissident community consists of a tiny handful of activists estimated to number no more than 40 or 50 persons.

The largest part of the current edition was taken up with details of the Bukovsky trial. Bukovsky, 29, was sentenced to a total of 12 years of prison and exile on charges of anti-Soviet activity. He was best known for his protests against the

Netanya Mayor Ben-Ami withdraws resignation

Jerusalem Post Reporter
NETANYA. — The feud between Mayor Oved Ben-Ami and the Interior Ministry was resolved — at least temporarily — yesterday, when the Mayor said he was withdrawing his resignation. He announced his resignation at a press conference last Saturday night.

Ben-Ami's statement yesterday came after a meeting in Tel Aviv with Interior Minister Yosef Burg; the Central District Representative, Mr. Avraham Hayon; the Ministry's Director-General, Mr. Haim Kubersky; and other officials.

In his resignation announcement, Mr. Ben-Ami had accused the Regional Town Planning Commission, headed by Mr. Hayon, of exceeding its authority and hampering the development of Netanya. He was answered in return by Mr. Hayon and other Ministry officials in Jerusalem, who accused him of turning a blind eye to violations of building regulations in Netanya.

Emerging from yesterday's meeting, Mr. Ben-Ami stated that all construction plans in the city would adhere to the existing laws. (A Ministry communiqué confirmed the regulations would be carried out "from now on.")

Prosecution already initiated against contractors accused of violating the law will continue, the Ministry spokesman announced. However, a special committee — consisting of Mr. Ben-Ami, the Minister and Mr. Hayon — will deal with those cases not yet sub judice which the Mayor felt deserved reconsideration.

Allon rejects 'U.S.-Israel ties more solid than educational TV the public thinks'

Education Minister Yigal Allon last night reacted sharply to criticism of the Ministry's "poor" management of Educational TV, saying that he would go as far as shut down the service altogether, Israel Radio reported last night.

His comment followed the demand made by a number of staff workers on the "Hayom Hazeh" programme earlier in the evening that Educational TV be taken out of the Ministry's hands and made either an independent unit of the Broadcasting Authority or an autonomous authority by itself.

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Foreign Minister Abba Eban and U.S. Ambassador Walworth Barbour agreed yesterday that relations between Israel and the U.S. were based on more solid ground than most people in Israel think.

Speaking at a luncheon of the Israel-America Society at the Engineers Club, Mr. Eban noted the Ambassador's "fidelity to his government and sympathy towards us."

Mr. Barbour said the disparity between the physical size of the two countries was balanced out by the "spiritual and intellectual" qualities of the Israelis.

Mr. Eban said affinity between America and Israel was possible because both countries were hostile to coercion and were strong in the respect of political sovereignty. He defended the Israel Government's middle-of-the-road policy, being "firm but not inflexible."

The occasion for the luncheon was the sixth national convention of the Society, which re-elected Dr. George Wise as its president. Dr. Wise, however, was not present; he had to leave for the U.S. in the morning because of illness in the family. Dr. Ari Ankori chaired the meeting.

Belgian diamond theft suspect to be extradited

TEL AVIV. — Pierre Levenberg, the Belgian diamond trader wanted in Belgium on suspicion of stealing some \$60,000 worth of diamonds, was yesterday declared extraditable by District Court Judge Ya'acov Gavison, and ordered detained until he could be returned to Belgium.

The judge ruled that, without going into the question of whether the evidence examined by the court was "true or false," it was sufficient to have Levenberg indicted under both Belgian and Israeli law.

Levenberg was remanded and released on bail several times since last October, pending examination of the Belgian request for extradition, under the Israel-Belgian extradition treaty. One reason for the delay was the need to translate many of the documents submitted by the Belgian authorities concerning the case.

According to the owner of the stolen diamonds, Mr. Pierre Isidor Frank, Levenberg received three diamonds, valued at some \$120,000, to sell for him. As soon as he received the diamonds, Mr. Frank said, Levenberg disappeared. Levenberg's father later returned one of the diamonds.

Levenberg later phoned his father from Germany, claiming the diamonds had been stolen from him. He was arrested, at the request of the Belgian Government, shortly after arriving in Israel on a tourist visa. (Nim)

Yizrael meets T.A. 'City' in rugby tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Weather permitting, Kibbutz Yizrael and Tel Aviv "City" meet tomorrow in a National Rugby Football League match at Kibbutz Geva, near Yizrael. Kick-off is at 2:30 p.m.

A fortnight ago, Yizrael scheduled a fixture against Northern District was postponed because of a waterlogged field at Geva. This was one of several League matches called off because of the bad weather which has dogged this first full rugby season in Israel since its start in early December.

For their match tomorrow, Yizrael will be reinforced by players from the neighbouring kibbutzim of Hazorea, Merhaviv and Ramat David. The team will be captained by ex-New Zealander Shimon Zeelas of Yizrael.

Rain floods Tel Aviv streets

Jerusalem Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — Heavy thunderstorms again flooded southern Tel Aviv and Jaffa streets yesterday, sending fast-flowing streams of water down Rehov Salame and Sderot Yerushalaim and creating massive traffic tie-ups.

Firemen were busy answering scores of calls from residents to pump out water from flooded courtyards and cellars.

In Jerusalem, rain began falling in the morning and alternated with periods of sunshine throughout the day. There was also a very brief hailstorm.

Heavy rains fell throughout Western Galilee, beginning late Wednesday night and continuing all through yesterday. Almost all agricultural work came to a standstill, including the harvest of citrus and avocado crops. So far, about 330 mms. of rain have fallen in Western Galilee, about half the average seasonal rainfall.

Jailed for throwing egg at Porush

A 29-year-old man who hurled an egg at Agudat Yisrael leader Rabbi Menahem Porush last November was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by the Jerusalem Magistrates Court on Wednesday. He was identified as Kenneth Lawrence, a yeshiva student.

The incident occurred on November 23, when Rabbi Porush, a Member of Knesset and a deputy mayor of Jerusalem, participated in an "informal evening" in the Capital's Soraimele's Club sponsored by the Jerusalem Student Organization. He was on the stage giving his views on national service by religious girls and the suspension of five Jerusalem municipal social workers, when the egg thrown by Lawrence struck his shoulder. Rabbi Porush immediately left the stage.

In addition to the jail sentence, Lawrence was given a three-month suspended sentence for a period of two years. (Nim)

PAYIS WINNERS

The ILS50,000 grand prizes in the Mifal Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets No. 078991 and 596697. Number 328782 won ILS50,000, and numbers 030608 and 459926 won ILS2,500. Tickets 119388, 255281, 421116, and 621647 won ILS2,500. Tickets ending in "4" won ILS1,000.

The following won ILS250: 141747, 321729, 493962, 047754, 294683, 436151, 043999, 267253, 428257, 014255, 212221, 391561, 001524, 203197, 377504, 729967, 701640, 632292, 617693, 529652, and 524693.

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Aguda requests 'no-confidence' on absorption

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Agudat Yisrael faction in the Knesset yesterday requested the speaker to place on the agenda a no-confidence motion concerning the Absorption Ministry's handling of the "religious-spiritual" needs of immigrants from the Soviet Union, particularly from Georgia.

The faction spokesman told the press last night that the party viewed the Government's absorption policies as inherently coercive and anti-religious. He cited the example of Georgian airport workers being required to sign commitments to work on the Sabbath.

The spokesman said that Absorption Minister Natan Peled had rejected Aguda's request that orthodox persons also be hired to deal with religious immigrants. He claimed that 30 kibbutzniks had recently been added to the Ministry's absorption staff.

Lawsuits due in shelter violations

Legal action will be taken against builders who do not conform with civil defence rules regarding emergency shelters, a senior Hagit (Civil Defence) officer told a joint meeting of the Knesset's Interior and Foreign Affairs and Defence Committees yesterday.

According to the officer, the absence of proper inspection by local authorities has resulted in some contractors selling buildings with faulty shelters. He said Hagit will assign building engineers to the regional commanders, and these engineers will draw up lists of shortcomings found in shelters. These lists will then be sent to local authorities, who would take legal action against the builders.

The chairman of the joint committee, Mr. Mordechai Surkis, said a meeting will soon be called of contractors' organizations and Hagit commanders to underscore the seriousness of assuring citizens of proper protection, in accordance with civil defence ordinances.

Jerusalem artists get cash awards

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Three Jerusalem artists were each awarded ILS1,500 prizes yesterday by Mayor Teddy Kollek in a ceremony at City Hall.

The Jerusalem Prize for painting was awarded to Moshe Hoffman. The Jerusalem Prize for sculpting went to Perli Felsig. The Artists House Prize went to Gabriel Ben-Or.

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Berl Locker, Labour Zionist, dead at 85

Berl Locker, a former chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive and leader of the Labour Zionist Movement, died in Jerusalem Wednesday night, aged 85. Born in Galicia, Locker as a young man served the Labour Zionist Movement in Europe until settling in this country in 1936. He was soon sent to England to represent the Movement there, and remained in London during the 40s as political adviser to the London members of the Jewish Agency Executive, and from 1945 as a member of the Executive there.

On the establishment of the State, Locker returned to Israel and was elected chairman of the Jerusalem Executive. He retained that post until 1956, when he was appointed chairman of the Zionist General Council.

Locker entered the Knesset on the Mafpal list in 1955 and was that party's unsuccessful candidate for Speaker against the "Nir-coalition" in 1959.

His wife, Malka, is a Yiddish poet and expert on the French poet Rimbaud.

The funeral cortege will leave from the Jewish Agency compound at 11 o'clock this morning for Har Herzl. Prime Minister Meir will participate, and eulogies will be delivered by the President, Mr. Zalman Shazar (who succeeded Locker as chairman of the Agency Executive) and by Jacob Taur, chairman of the J.N.P.

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In appreciation

Berl Locker was one of the founding fathers of the Labour Zionist Movement, and its most outstanding figures.

He threw himself into the struggle for Socialist Zionism while still a young man, in his native Galicia. It was a struggle against great odds, including such powerful movements as the Bund. All his life he was known as a fiery polemicist, one who attacked his opponents with vigour and homespun humour. Many of his sayings, delivered in speeches before Zionist Congresses in the period between the two world wars, have become almost legendary.

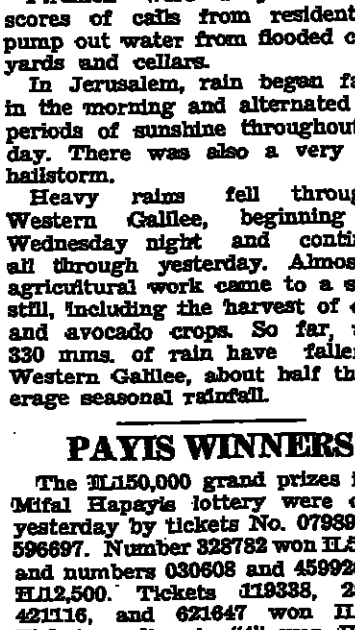
For many years Locker stood by Dr. Chaim Weizmann's side, and served at the centre of Zionism's political struggle: the Jewish Agency's offices at 77 Gt. Russell Street in London. He established contact with members of the Labour Party in England, both when the party was in power and when it was in the opposition. He won over to the cause of Zionism several members of that party. Some of those members were renowned loyal to Zionism, while others — such as Ernest Bevin — did not. Yet, Locker always had sincere faith in the solidarity of the working class.

Berl Locker was always devoted to Hebrew culture and immigration, and for 20 years headed the Ethical Institute, which made possible the publication of hundreds of valuable academic works.

Berl and Malka Locker's home became a meeting place for scholars and lovers of culture from all over the world and there was always a warm atmosphere in their home — one of the most pleasant in the Capital.

At the time of his death, Berl Locker was busy writing his memoirs. These are especially interesting, since they cover the period of the first years of the State, the realization of his dream.

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Forecast: Scattered showers, with heavy showers on Saturday. Local showers. Western Gales. Cold low over the eastern Mediterranean.

Jerusalem	Humidity	Min.	Max.
Jerusalem	72	6-8	18
Golan	62	5-7	15
Nahariya	62	7-12	18
Safed	100	1-4	4
Haifa	62	7-12	18
Tiberias	68	10-15	23
Nazareth	78	7-10	19
Afula	89	10-15	23
Sharon	89	10-15	23
Tel Aviv	91	10-15	23
Lod	91	10-15	23
Jericho	60	4-16	16
Gas	68	8-17	21
Be'er Sheva	45	4-18	18
Eilat	23	10-30	30

ARRIVALS
Mr. Irwin Podell, president of International Union of Plastics in which opens in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

DEPARTURES
Bernard Chertok, vice-president of Hebrew University of Jerusalem, departs on behalf of the University and U.S.A.
Mr. Sara Shapiro, chairman of the United Israel Appeal, departs to participate in the opening of the 1972 Israel Appeal campaign in Brisbane, Australia, and Singapore.
Rabbi Mordechai Kirshbaum, of the Jewish Agency Executive, departs for London on behalf of Eran Shalom and later for Paris and Marseille, alya alyah.

Metal workers in 'crisis' talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Metal Workers Union is still meeting at present time in an attempt to decide whether it was going to begin negotiating its new wage contract this week as suggested by the manufacturers. The manufacturers and the Union Department of the Histadrut have been trying to convince metal workers to cancel their 14-day strike in privately owned enterprises where conditions have not been raised to the standard set by the recent reform in the wage system.

Bat-Dor troupe back from tour

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Bat-Dor Company returned home after a triumphal tour of the East. The company, accompanied by its founder, Baroness Bethsabai Rothchild, danced in several Eastern countries under the auspices of governments and royal courts. They appeared in Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Philippines, Thailand and Brunei. The Bat-Dor Company was to repeat the tour in 1974. Its next foreign engagement is in the spring, at the International Dance Festival in the Netherlands.

TWA offers new service here

LOD AIRPORT. — Israel joins the list of countries served by Trans World Airlines' "luxury concept" in air travel — "bassor Service." The new service will feature expanded customer service innovations on the ground as well as in the air. The service introduced a year ago on selected U.S. domestic routes.

Among the innovations on TWA jetliners are coach seats on 707 jumbo-jets have been replaced by Ambassador twin seats. The jumbo jets now have two long first-class sections, there is a fully coloured carpeting and a décor in the aircraft, and a "bassor" will be on hand to departures gate before every flight smooth the way for passengers handle any problems that come.

Haifa University graduates 593

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Haifa University yesterday awarded B.A. degrees to 593 graduates, including 36 Arab and 557 Jewish students. They included 324 graduates in the humanities, 87 in the social sciences, 45 in social work, and 127 in teacher training.

Addressing the graduation ceremony, the rector, Prof. Binjamin Alkin, noted that the University was about to achieve academic independence: the degrees granted yesterday were the last to come from the Hebrew University, which has been responsible for the University's academic standards thus far.

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